Let the Negro stop his eternal whining! Mankind shuns a crying booby, but takes its hat off to a man. With all its shortcomings, America promises the black man his best future, but like the live, aggressive white man, he must press on, persevere, and be brave in order to obtain it.

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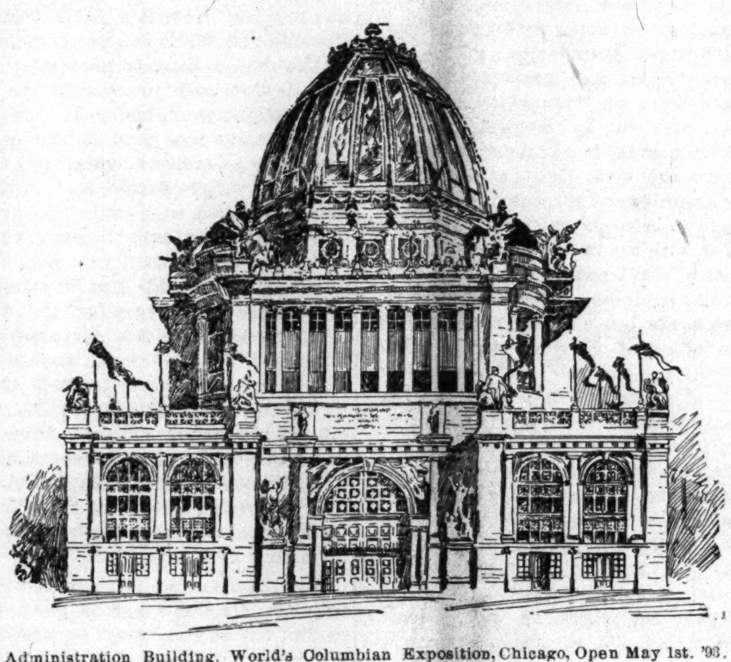

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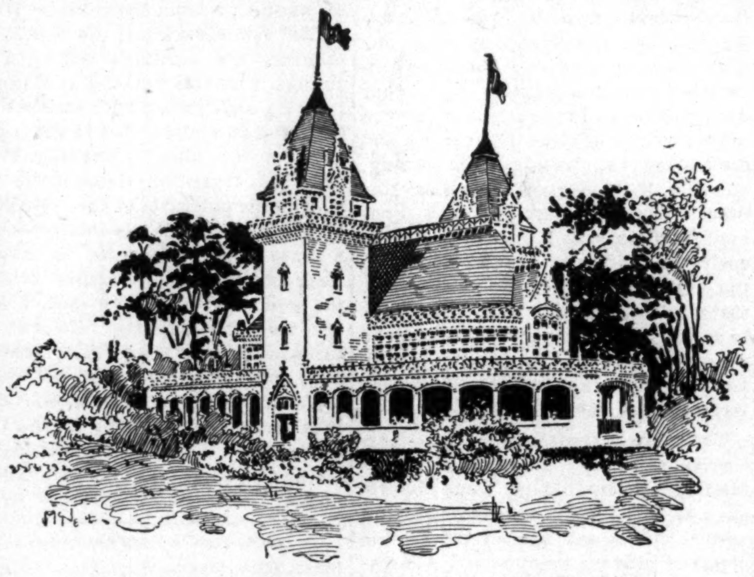

Indiana State Building at the World's Columbian Exposition.

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Of a Southern City—Easter Exercises—Literary Feast by

A Noted Organization—The Programme—Elaborate Church Decorations—Children's Festival.

Ft. Smith, Ark., Special.

To one who obtains a view of this city and its surroundings and assumes for his standpoint the plane of Paris or Texarkana, the picture is quite different from that obtained when one looks for evidences of race elevation and material advancement. The educational facilities of Ft. Smith are unsurpassed in the Southwest. Two beautiful buildings with twelve instructors; six churches of the various denominations are potent factors for God and the race. These combined forces give us a well-to-do energetic people.

Easter dawned beautifully, and this, the land of the Magnolia, seemed dressed for the services and the literary exercises that were to characterize the day. In all of the Sunday schools appropriate services were held reflecting credit upon all who participated. At 3 o'clock the auditorium of St. Paul's A. M. E. church was filled with an intelligent and appreciative audience, the occasion being the regular meeting of the Song and Literary association. For the existence of this organization great credit is due Dr. P. W. Wade and J. R. Raiford, jr., who have energetically pushed forward the work till its healthful influence reaches all parts of our community; talent which erstwhile lay dormant, finds a field for its development. The programme as presented was as follows: Organ voluntary by Prof. Wiley, jr.; invocation by Elder Wade, followed by music specially prepared for the occasion. Appropriate readings by Misses Zackery and Daily; E. O. Trent, principal of Howard school, delivered the opening address. The gist of his address was that the Negro is hampered more by his contentment and economic dependence upon the white man than by color or race. Miss Whiting and Mrs. Ida Trammel read papers discussing woman's relation to home and society. A solo by Miss Arrington and also by Mrs. Walker added to the enjoyment of the meeting. Miss Eugenia L. Robinson, a student who gives great promise as an elocutionist, favored the audience with a recitation. Especial mention is made of the Border City Quartette, composed of Messrs. Fuhr, Douglass, Kane and Davis. These young men are artists of no mean ability. Their selection with musical accompaniment by A. E. Brachert, was a marked feature of the evening. Childhood with its sweet simplicity always finds a responsive chord in our hearts; this was manifest when little Eva Zackery, Rosy Bell, Estella Burney, Phillis and Frances Miller sang with good effect, Easter Bells.

Easter Sunday was a gala day here. The day was perfect and nearly all the churches held special services and were crowded to their utmost capacity. At the Ninth Street M. E. church the window facings and chandeliers were festooned with smilax and flowers. Directly behind the speaker's desk was a tall cross of Easter lillies; the pulpit was almost hidden behind a bank of flowers, and everywhere tasteful decorations was displayed. Singing birds added to the scene. Dr. Donnelly preached in the morning, and at 8 p. m. the children, under the direction of Dr. B. J. Griffin, held an Easter festival. Mrs Mattie Montague, of Little Rock, Ark, is visiting in the city. Sam Furh has gone to Oklahoma City, Okla, where he will permanently locate. F. J. Rowells, Jerry Washington and John J. Johnson went on a fishing expedition last week. Mrs. Nora Green is convalescing after six week's illness Lenton season ended, Mrs. Steward and other society ladies are preparing for a dancing reception. Wm. Nicks is convalescent. Prof. Long is seriously ill. Col. J. F. Raiford is a prosperous grocer and an enterprising citizen. The Freeman is on a boom here.

A MINIATURE GARDEN.

Easter Services on an Elaborate Scale—An Egg Hunt—A Flag Raising.

Helena, Ark., Special.

The commemoration of Christ's resurrection was certainly more general in this city than ever was known. The services at all the churches were beautiful. The Centennial Baptist Sunday school resembled the peninsula of Florida. At 1:30 p. m. the Sunday school rendered a fine programme. A general collection for the Arkansas Baptist college was taken. The egg march was fine; each child marched around and selected the colored egg they wanted. At the A. M. E. church an excellent programme was rendered. The Second Baptist church has always thought, under its former managers, that it was a violation of the laws of christianity to celebrate the glorious Easter before April 2d, when Rev. S. D. Gibson, through the influence of Esq. J. H. Harvey consented to commemerate the event, and too much credit cannot be accorded its initial Easter services. Much credit is bestowed upon Mrs Louisia Davis for her management. J. H. Harvey read a portion of the scripture to convince the Baptist that it was right to celebrate the resurrection of the Savior. Andrew Cole, living four miles west of McComb, Miss., has in his possession a novelty in the shape of an egg. It has plainly inscribed upon it the letters L and O, and the figures 1 and 9. Quite a sum was realized from the egg hunt at the residence of James Aaron, Mrs. M. A. Clark of Mariana, lost her little child last Saturday. While the deceased was being prepared for burial, dispatches were flying all over the country for its father, who was traveling in the interest of the Masonics. He met a telegram at Hopefield. The child was brought to the city and taken to the residence of Isaac Coursey, where it laid in state for the arrival of its father, who came the next day at 1:05 a. m., to return on the return train at 3:40. Some delay in arrangements made it a hasty burial. The services were performed at the residence of Mrs. I Coursey, on Elm street, by Rev. J. W. Whitesides with great brevity, so that he might board the train in time for Pine Bluff. Messrs. C. H. Dallis, Marte Stubberfield and William Brown, with Mesdames Brown and Lizzie Thrash were in the city from Mariana attending the funeral of M. A. Clark's little child. Jno. Harris, of Lexa, was in the city the guest of Chas. Anderson. The Ladies' Hope club met at Mrs. G. W. Glenn's to hold their quarterly election, in which Mrs. P. C. Crawford was elected secretary; Mrs Alex. White treasurer; Mrs. Ann Martin, chaplain; Mrs. James Jordan, assistant. J. H. Washington employed George Moore, who is said to be fitful, to do some grading around his premises. While working he suddenly gave a quick yell which ended in a peculiar singing that frightened Mrs. Washington so as to give premature birth to twins, who died a few hours after. The mother, who was in great danger, is now out of danger. Dr. M. H. Blackwell, of Forrest City, Ark., paid Dr. P. W. Clark a visit to the city. The Ladies' Industrial club held their quarterly election at the residence of Mrs. Jessie Wright, who was elected president; Mrs. Robert Adams, Vice-president; Miss Emma Burns, secretary; Mrs. Wm. Partee, assistant; Mrs. Chas. Anderson, treasurer; Mmes. P. A. Harrison and N. H. Gray, messengers. On the 4th, inst., the stars and stripes of America were unfurled to float upon the Southern breeze over the Peabody school. The flag is twelve feet, and was purchased at the expense of the teachers and pupils. At 2 o'clock the school formed in front of the building. Prof. H. Avant introduced Hon. Greenfield Quarles, (white) a member of the faculty, who delivered an address for the occasion, followed by "America," sang by the school. Several scholars from rooms 1 and 2 recited appropriate pieces in the presence of their fathers and mothers. The exercises were closed with remarks from Rev. E. C. Morris, D. D.

College Commencement Exercises.

Lincoln University, Pa., Special.

The Theological commencement will take place April 18th. The appointed speakers are Messrs. J. P. Gregory, Richard Meyers, F. D. Fildon and W. F. Cotton. Mr. Cotton is the valedictorian. The Missionary society had its closing meeting Friday night, March 31st. A deep solemnity always characterizes these meetings. The last was a season of much comfort. Rev. W. F. Cotton attended the Deleware annual canference of the Methodist Episcopal church at Dover, Del., March 23d to 28th, and was received into said conference after passing an excellent examination and was given a charge at Salisbury, Md. Rev. C. N. Grandison, D. D., president of Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C., has been transferred to the Deleware conference and appointed pastor of Zion M. E. church, Wilmington, Del. S. J. Bampfield is in Philadelphia. Messrs. Berry, Stanford, Miller and a lot of other students whose homes are not distant spent the Easter holidays at home.

Join Heart and Hand.

Taylorville, Ill., Special.

Rev. J. A. Collins closed his revival at the A. M. E. church last week with five additions. The attendance was very large; both white and colored took an active part in the good work. C. H. Steward has returned home after spending a week with friends in Decatur. All the churches observed Easter in a special manner. George Hawkins was married Monday, April 3rd to Miss Minnie Clay, of Chicago. The happy couple arrived in Taylorville Tuesday. The good news spread very fast and in a few hours many hearts were made to rejoice over the good step Mr. Hawkins has taken. Mrs. C. H. Steward and little daughter have returned home after spending a week in Morrisonville. On Tuesday April 5th Gussie, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. James Irving died after a long illness during which he was tenderly cared for by his parents and many friends. The Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Dhonovin at the A. M. E. church Wednesday at 2 p. m, the the attendance was very large, among whom were, Mr. N. Reed and Mrs. S. Harris, of Springfield.

Frontier Tactics.

Fort Grant, Ariz., Special.

The officers have moved into their new building and Major C. D. Viele is happy. It is the nicest furnished club in Arizona. There was a murder three miles from the post known as the Hog Ranch. A man by the name of Lemons killed an Indian scout by the name of Roudey on the night of the 29th of last month. That is the third man that has been killed there in the last five years, beside one women and her child and the murderers all got clear but the one that killed the woman and child. There are always a lot of persons about such places to swear that it was done in self defence, hence the law cannot do anything. Notwithstanding this man was shot in the back, as they all have been, hence it could not have been in self defense At this place they make and sell their own whisky and a man who takes a few drinks of it, is wild, then they kill him, when they see he has no more money.

Bites at a Flimsy Bait.

Valles Mines, Mo., Special.

We have some people who are coming to the front. Pillip Mcguire owns a good farm, also John Keeton and Margeret Valley, Prof. T. B. Lankford comes down once a week and teaches the white band. It is said by all who know him, that he is one of the best teachers in the State. He has three white bands and one colored under his instruction, he is also a fine composer of music, he has been offered five hundred dollars for one of his overtures for a brass band, for the copyright. Much of his music is out under a non de plume, he also has one of the finest white bands in the State at his home in Kimmswick, Mo., he is one of the colored men that gets recognition regardless of his color. Gabe Boyce, a wealthy colored man, was beat out of $39 some time ago, by a white man who called himself a fortune teller and who told Boyce that a half million dollars was hidden on his farm and if he would deposit that amount in a box for luck, he could show him where to find it. So as it had been long talked of that there was money on the old man's farm he was not hard to dupe. His wife gave the fortune teller the money, the fortune teller put the money in the box in front of him and his wife and told him not to open it for fourteen days, if he did he would break the charm, but his wife became suspicious and opened the box in a few days and found only brown paper. Boyce kept it a secret until not long since when he heard of a white man being beaten in the same manner. Crystal City colored people are getting wealthy they have good churches and schools. The Crystal City Company work 900 hands and a 150 are colored, and would work as many more if they could get them, they pay good wages, to some as high as $75 per month and many $45 to $50 per month. Why don't colored people from the South come to Crystal City, Mo., also here at Valles Mines is a good place for miners and there is no lynch law here.

A GRAND EASTER CARNIVAL.

Pythian Grand Lodge—A Street Parade, Banquet and

Interesting Business Session Marks the Occasion—Moral Depletion of the Race—A Disastrous Fire.

Danville, Va., Special.

The ladies of the Cavalry Baptist church gave an Easter Carnival, Monday, April 3rd, at Odd Fellow's Hall. This was one of the grandest entertainments this city has seen in some time. It included an excellent song drill and march by sixteen of Danville's fairest misses. This exquisite song drill and march was presided over by Mrs. S. R, Buford, and M. B. Cobbs. The Hall was crowded all day, also at night. They realized sixty dollars. The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, of Virginia, held its eighth annual session in the Castle Hall, of Moravian Lodge, No. 13 K. of P. in this city, April 11th, 12th, and 13th. The welcome address was delivered by Sir. Knight B. J. Watkins. They had a grand street parade, Tuesday afternoon. They had the banquet Tuesday evening, the 11th. Refreshments were served by the ladies. Addresses were delivered by the following knights: W. R. Green, G. C.; Wm. Troy, G. K., of R. and S.; Wm. M. Reid, G. M., of E,; Jno. Mitchell, Jr., P. C,; Mr. White L. Williamson and Howard Woolridge rendered excellent vocal and instrumental music, Committee: J. W. H. Carter, A, B. Jones, J. M. Coles, Whitfield Lewis, Wylsie L. Williamson, W. L, Reynolds, W. W. Manns, and J. H. Henderson. The shipment of plug tobacco from this city since January 1st to March 31st inclusive 1,768,733 pounds. The marriage licenses issued from the clerks office for the month of March were ten, four whites and six colored. The colored people will marry if they don't stay together but a week. Rev. Wm. E. Carr, of the Holbrook Street Presbyterian church, has been carrying on meetings for two weeks. Rev W. A. Albnoy, of the Presbytery of Virginia, assisting Rev, Albnoy, preached an excellent sermon, Thursday night. His subject was the Crooked Church Member and was very interesting Rev, W. A. Albnoy, is an able minister. and is a native of the West Indies. Mr. Williams died at his mother's residence, March 28th. The schools of Tunstall District closed, March 31st. A young man by the name of Robert Pullian stole a check here last week and had it cashed by Charles E. Kidd for $12.50. After he was gone Mr. Kidd found the check was bogus and put the officers after him. As I was coming from my school, Friday afternoon, and as I got to the mouth of Union Street bridge. I saw a man plunge into the river just above the bridge and get upon the dam that is across the river and the water falling over the dam was so strong that he had to sit down and hold to keep from falling over the dam, and the water was up around his waist. Two boats were on the river and a young man by the name of Peter Tompson was in one of the boats; he went to the man on the dam with his boat and the water was so strong that he just did step out in time to save himself from going over the dam with his boat. One man has fallen over that dam and was drowned. This young man that forged the check was brought to the bank by the other boat that was on the river and the officer was there to receive him. They made him pull off his shoes and they found $3 00 in his shoes, and after they got to jail, they found $2.75 making $5.75, all they found of the $12.50. They sent fifteen young colored men from this city, last month, to penitentiary; all young men born since the war. The majority of the young colored people in the Southern states are retrograding for the reason that the parents will not make their boys and girls work, and send them to school just long enough for them to secure enough education to turn their heads and make them indolent, Prof. W. F. Grasty, Daniel Williams, and James A Garland, agent of The Freeman, were out to Mt. Fleemon school to the closing exercises. Prof. W. F. Grasty and Mr. Williams made encouraging remarks to parents and pupils; Paul Rison is the teacher. We had a large fire in North Danville, Wednesday night, the 5th of April; fourteen houses burned on Main street. John Reynolds is smiling; his wife presented him with a fine baby girl. Our people have already started the xcursion mania. Notwithstanding there are five churches here, they go five miles distant to hear preaching, and next winter they will be calling on the town officers for help. The legislature of Pennsylvania should pass an act compelling parents and guardians to send their children to school. Dock Garland died at his residence, Friday April 8th. He leaves a wife and three little children.

Filled Their Places With White Girls.

Minneapolis, Minn., Special.

W. Ramsey, who has been sick is able to be out. Mrs. Patton died, March 27th. The Hotel Holmes which has had colored waiters for four years has put in white girls and about fifteen men are out of work. Ben Mann, of Idianopolis, is expecting to wed soon. Frank Preston, one of our business men, has fitted an elegant barber shop and bath rooms. A Division of K. of P. lodge will give an entertainment, April 10th. E. Bruckner left for Omaha, April 1st. Any one wishing to subscribe for The Freeman, should call on Joe Cage, 12 Western avenue. The Freeman for sale at Preston's barber shop. There was preaching at all the churches, Easter Sunday. Mills meeting closed, April 2nd. Persons, leaving the city, arriving in, or having any news of interest, should address Joe Cage, 12 Western avenue.

JOIN HEARTS AND HANDS.

A Couple Prominent in Church and Fraternal Work

Embark on Hymen's Sea—Personelle of the Bride—The Reception—The Presents—Easter Festival.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Special.

A grand social event, worthy of all the participants, was the verdict at the marriage of Rev. J. T. Legget, of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Mahalay A. Thompson, of this city, on Tuesday evening, March 28th, and barely rendered credit to the estimable participants. The bride has won to herself the high esteem of the community by her deeds of charity as well as endeavors to give good advice and consolation to those who have sought her counsel. The groom is foremost among the coming young men in the Lexington conference. He has just received appointment to pastor at Martinsville, Greenfield circuit. He will find a great help in his chosen companion. She has for many years been presiding officer of the Good Samaritans of this place, and it was by them her wedding was given. She has always been a great worker in the church. She resigned the Superintendency of the Sabbath-school, as well as a class she was teaching. She was president of the Christian Endeavor Society, which she has also resigned. She was the admiration of all who beheld her in her wedding dress of Henrietta cloth, Empire style, silk trimmings. The bridegroom was preceded in the wedding march by a 7 year old boy carrying a handsome boquet of white roses and ferns. While Rev. T. L. Ferguson pronounced the solemnities, she held them in her hand. The list of presents is as follows: Mrs. M. McClellan and daughter, linen pillow shams; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cooper, sister of the bride, suit of underwear and quilts; Miss Emma Jones, napkins and preserve dish; Mrs. Alice Cowen, card receiver and celery glass; A. Cannon, fancy cups and saucers; Mrs K Caldwell, ½ dozen ice cream dishes; Rev. Wm. Miller, water pitcher; Mrs. A. M, Pope, wine set; Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Anderson, Georgetown, Ky., linen table cloth; Henry Baker and mother, Washington, D. C., set of fine silver spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Falkner, set of fine silver spoons; Mrs. Mattie E. Evans, set of fine silver spoons; Mrs. J. Winston, bridal flowers for the breast; Mrs. S. McGwin, linen napkins; Mrs. E. Earl, throwe; Mrs B. Tribble, throwe; Miss Turner, throwe; Mrs. H. Martin, beautiful head rest; Mrs. P. Miller, handsome easel; Mrs. B. Fountain, tea gown; Coods & Wiley, center-table; Mr and Mrs. Williams, linen table cloth; Evening Star lodge No. 12, D. of S., Indianapolis, a beautiful boquet for the hand; Mrs. J. A. Arthur, a beautiful oil painting entitled, "The Deserted Mill," her own hand work; Mrs. S. Lytel, towels; Miss Bettie Price, handkerchief; Mrs. M. P. Robinson, (sister to the bride, of Chicago), bridal gloves and shoes; Mrs. N. Whitney, gloves and perfumery; Mrs. M. Jones, glass dishes and linen towel; Mrs. F. Fotter, plates; Mr. and Mrs. J. Alexander, Coryden, Ind., set of silver table spoons; Mrs. J. Potter, white bed spread; Miss E. Phillip, seraph basket; Mrs. E. Trusley, perfumery and $1.00; Mrs. M. Siffold, muslin; Mrs. M Webb, beautiful vases; Mrs. A. Blackburn, vase bottles; Mrs. Ermine Hale, throwe, hose and kerchief; Mrs. L. Walker, wall pocket; D. N. Taylor and wife, silver spoon, butterknife and napkin ring, and $2.00; Mr. and Mrs. B. Rosenthal, Louisville, Ky., silver spoons; Miss Carrie Fisher, tidy; Mrs. S. Mitchell, sofa pillow; Mr. and Mrs. John R Buckner, head rest; Mrs. J. Hargraves, sofa pillow; Mrs. L. Summer, coal oil can; Mrs. C Joseph, silver forks; S Gassaway, knives and forks; Mrs R Marshal, tea pot; Mrs. A. Reed, napkins; Mrs. L. Coleman, kerchief; Mrs. M. Robinson, linen towel; Mr. Nelson, bridal gloves; Mr. and Mrs. J. Cooper, wall pocket; Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Miller, white spread; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gore, Columbus, Ind., throwe; Miss L Johnson, beautiful vases; Mrs. Barsheba Madison, a sheet; Mrs. M. Martin, a sheet; Mrs. Anna Smith, a sheet; Mrs. L. Beckley, a sheet; Rev. John Thompson, card receiver; Miss A. Price, butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hawkins, linen cloth; Mr. and Mrs. Berry, of Chicago, bridal kerchief; Miss Lizzie Carter, bridal fan; Mrs. J Ray, butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. D Ross, of Chicago, bridal slippers and hose; Mr. and Mrs. Wm, Myers, Chicago, silk kerchief; Miss Crawford, silk kerchief; Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Morrison, domestic; Mr. and Mrs. H. Parker, linen table cloth; Mrs. Maria Pope, linen towels; Jas. Oglesby, linen towels; Rev. and Mrs Jno. Collier, linen towels; Master W. Curry, handkerchief; Mrs. Lizzie Roberts, fruit dish; Master R. Evans, handkerchief; Mrs. T. Frazier and daughter, sets of glasses and ice cream dishes; Mrs. Laura Turner, $4 00; Mrs. Hattie Highbaugh, $2.00; Miss Sarah C. Wilson, $2 00; Mrs. Fannie Simcoe, $1.00; Mrs. Ella Ballon, $1.00; Mrs. Martha Garril, 50 cents; St. Catharine lodge, D. of S., $10.00; St. Peters, G. of S., $4 00, and gave the reception in their hall on Spring street; Rev. D. S. Bentley, Pittsburg, Pa., $5 00. The groom presented the bride a handsome opal stone ear ring and $40 May God shower rich blessings on their union is our wish.

Miss Sarah Davis, of Mt. Sterling, Ky., is the guest of Miss Bettie Everett, N. Spring street. William Taylor, a highly respected citizen, died Friday night and was buried by the G. A. R. from Indiana Ave. Baptist church on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The members of the Order of Eastern Star held their Easter services at their hall on Sunday morning. The ladies worked zealously and made the exercise pleasant. The program was well carried out. Instead of a sermon there were addresses made by R. F. Taylor and Wm. Parker. Mrs. Rev. M. C. Jones, of Princeton, Ind., who has been the guest of her mother, on Indiana avenue, has gone to Indianapolis, enroute to Shelbyville, Ind., where she joins her husband. Miss Nora Whittaker spent Sunday in Charlestown, Ind., visiting friends Chas. Stark has opened a fine saloon on Spring street, near the river. The Juvenile Samaritans gave Master Alvin Robinson a farewell surprise on Tuesday night. He departs for Indianapolis.

Quite a pleasant Easter festival was given at Illinois Ave. Baptist church on Saturday night. Mrs. Penn and Mr. Oglesby deserved much credit for the success of the entertainment. The remains of Absalom First were taken from the vault Sunday afternoon and interred in the Eastern cemetery. Miss Ella Sweeney, who has been visiting parents on Walnut street, will soon leave for Indianapolis. G. Thornton, of Chicago, is here attending the bedside of a sick brother. Easter services at Bethel church on Sunday afternoon were well attended. Rev. Lynch, of Louisville, officiated. Rebecca Tabernacle No. 66 gave a very pleasant entertainment on Monday night at the U. B. of F. hall. Mrs. Turner is making some handsome additions to her home on Spring Hill. Mrs. Minnie Buckner, who has been spending a few weeks with relatives in Shelbyville, Ky., has returned home. Rev. Leggett left the city for his charge on Saturday afternoon. During his short stay in our city he made many friends and impressed those whom he met that he is an intelligent, christian gentleman. The citizens are numerous in extending him and wife a bon voyage.

Mrs. A. E. Meyzeek, M. E. G. M., of the O. E. S., is expected in the city on Tuesday night to visit Jericho Chapter No. 8, O. E. S. D. N. Taylor is on the mail force this week. Mr. Taylor has been an efficient carrier and should be promoted to a position of regular carrier. Quinn Adams has accepted a position with the Louisville & Jeffersonville Ferry Co. A Fire destroyed the saloon conducted by W. Richards Saturday night; no insurance. Miss Belle Simmons is able to resume her work in the Port Fulton schools, after a seige with mumps. Mrs. Rev. Mason is attending the bedside of her sick daughter, Mrs. Rev. Graham, of Chicago.

LENGTH OF THE YEAR.

It Was Formerly a Little Greater Than at Present.

The Egyptians were the first people to fix the length of the year. What is known as the "Roman year" was introduced by Romulus, 730 B. C., and was corrected by Numa. 713 B C., and again by Julius Cæsar, 45 B. C. Cæsar fixed the solar year at 365 days and 6 hours. This was known as the "Julian style" But the calendar of Julius was defective in this particular: The real solar year consists of 365 days, 5 hours and 49 minutes, This made a difference of eleven minutes between true solar time and solar time according to Cæsar. At the time of Pope Gregory XIII, (he became pope in 1572) that difference of but eleven minutes each year had grown to an error of ten whole days To obviate this error, Gregory ordained, in 1582, that the year should consist of but 365 days; this change was called the change from the Julian to the Gregorian system of reckoning time. However, all the world, with the exception of Italy and a few inconsiderable countries, reckoned time by the old Julian style for more than a hundred years after Gregory had announced the change. In England the Gregorian system was not recognized until 1752, at which time another whole day of error had been added. In the year last mentioned above England and her dependencies, America included, made the change September 3rd of that year, being reckoned as the fourteenth. Russia is the only country of any importance that still adheres to the old style system.—Chicago Herald.

Huntsville, Ala.

Easter services at the M. E. church were well attended. Rev, E. M. Jones, preached The I. O. I. had Easter services at the M. E. church. The N. C. and St. L. R. R. is about to finish its new passenger depot, which will add a great deal to the building up of the city. Please pay the agent when he delivers your paper so he won't have to ask you for it.

MECHANICS AND FARMERS.

The Ilk of Emigrants Wanted in The West.

Unbounded Opportunities—Drones Not Wanted—Western Market Prices—Hints to Readers.

Spokane Falls, Wash, Special.

It is currently reported that after the close of the World's Fair many hundred Afro-Americans are coming West to take up their residence in Spokane; these reports are recieved with antipathy by many of our conservative and better thinking citizens, who view with apprehension and alarm such an unlooked for and perhaps undesirable acquisition to Spokane's population. If those who intend seeking a new home in the far West are mechanics or have education and are possessed of some means, they can and will undoubtedly succeed, but if they are of the class whose worldly possessions consist of their personal baggage, they are coming to the wrong city. White bootblacks predominate here, and all the hotels have a full supply of Afro-American waiters. What we most desire and what this section needs most, is thrifty farmers and mechanics, hard work, such as mining, wood-chopping, etc., can be had in abundance, but there are other mediums through which wealth, plenty and comfort can be obtained, and the only necessary requisites are courage, economy and thrift, in this magnificent State whose boundaries and areas of square miles are greater than New York State or Pennsylvania. Where gold, coal, iron and magnificent forests of the best timber in America, abound where the civil rights of individuals are accorded and respected, where hundreds of Afro-Americans are making great strides in the accumulating of wealth, and insuring comfort and future happiness for their children. There are less colored people than in the cities of New York, Chicago or Brooklyn. What Afro-Americans should do, is to leave the South and East and come West, while the opportunity presents itself, homes can be obtained easily for small cash payments and employment could be had readily, as a growing State or City must necessarily afford this. All who are able should come out in early Spring, as this is always the best time of year for migrating and becoming acclimated. It is expected that white emmigration will commence to pour into this State very shortly, and intending Afro-American emigrants should anticipate this movement by being well settled in their several localities before their white brothers arrive. It is the intention of all worthy citizens to discourage the migration of the shiftless, unworthy, indolent classes, who like Parasites move from one place to another never satisfied and invariably discontented, also that other unimportant and undesirable class who expect to huddle close in the cities and do housework, washing and ironing, etc. The three largest cities of this State Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, contain over 75 per cent, of the entire population of the State, showing conclusively that agriculture, stock raising, etc., is being neglected to an alarming extent, while those who are engaged in the pursuits of which I have just spoken, are meeting with large success, and are growing rich.

Those are my reasons for laying particular stress upon the necessity of intending settlers having some knowledge of farming an mechanicism and special invitations are offered to this class of citizens everywhere. Government lands by the thousand acres remain untenanted ready for occupancy and cultivation, rich soil and big returns, are always unfailing verdicts. Persons raising poultry alone could have made a small fortune here, and all over the West this season already, chickens have been selling for $6.50 per dozen, and eggs for 75 cts. per dozen, for some months past. I know of no greater section of the Union than this for Afro-Americans who wish to distribute themselves throughout the country. I have been noticing general economy on the part of many of our people for the last few months, but was unable to account for it only on the hypothesis that some of them were going to be married or were figuring on buying "safety bicycles," but subsequent discoveries disclose the fact that, "On to the World's Fair" is the cry and the true reason, as many prefer seeing the "big show" to sumptuous living and are acting according. Through the efforts of Messrs. J. H. Ryan, Charles Hall, E. H. Holmes, and the Trades Council of this city, have been induced to strike out the clause in their constitution that demanded seperate organizations for the colored mechanics The fight was a long and bitter one, but the persistency of the gentlemen was as equally assiduous and ardent and victory ultimately rewarded their efforts, the effects will be of great and immediate benefit to our laboring classes, who admirably refused to organize separately, and were in consequence barred from all work where union men were employed, the barriers have at last been torn down and all men of good reputation and sobriety have been invited to enter the union, perhaps if the race indulged in less howling and cheap talk, and employed themselves constantly to the betterment of their own conditions and surroundings, they would be much better off, both materially and financially.

DIED AT SING SING.

An Ex-Preacher Electrocuted for Killing Annie Brooks—The Story of his Crime.

James W. Hamilton, the colored expreacher and wife murderer, was shocked to death in an electric chair at the state prison at Sing Sing, N. Y., April 3. The death warrant was read to him at 10 o'clock Sunday night and Carlyle Harris, the wife prisoner, in his cell a few feet away, heard the fatal words which will soon be read to him Hamilton died a Catholic and remained talking earnestly with Father Creeden until 11 o'clock, when he retired. He showed no signs of breaking down, and the prison physician said Hamilton's religious enthusiasm would keep him up through the ordeal. Hamilton slept until 6 o'clock this morning, and the guard said he snored. He was visited early by Fathers Creeden and Wallace, who remained all the morning. The witnesses, physicians and members of the press, twenty-four in number, arrived at 9 o'clock to witness a test of the death chair by electrician Davis. The same mechanism which has been used to kill other murderers was used today.

Hamilton was kneeling on the floor and praying fervently with Fathers Creeden and Wallace when summoned by the warden to go to his death. The prisoner seemed to concentrate his whole attention on his devotions and mechanically rose and followed the warden, the priests walking beside him. He walked firmly and without fear and looked with only a curious interest when led into the death chamber. He walked steadily to the chair and took his seat, his lips moving in response to the prayers for the dead. The victim was quickly strapped and a current of 1,740 volts turned on. The body jumped and strained at the straps and remained rigid. The crucifix in his hands cracked from the grasp he gave it when the shock came. The first contact killed the murderer. The electrician stated that it was the most successful execution by electricity he had ever witnessed.

Hamilton's crime was a most revolting one. He was a man of good education, but he was very superstitious and kept a collection of charms to guard against misfortune, He became pastor of the African Methodist Episcopal church at Flushing L. I., and here he met Annie Brooks, the woman he murdered. He was very popular with the women of his congregation, and his relations with several led to his expulsion from the church. He returned sometime after, however, and renewed his relations with Annie Brooks, who was working as a domestic. He had trouble with another colored woman and decided to get rid of one of them. Sunday evening, March 12th, last, Hamilton decoyed the woman to the outskirts of the village of Winfield on the pretense of looking at a house which they were to live in. Near a swamp he suddedly attacked the woman with a heavy cane, beating her into insensibility. He cut her throat with a razor and then threw the body into the mire. One of Hamilton's cuff buttons, the knob of his cane and his razor were found near the spot. Hamilton endeavored to fasten the crime on an alleged "hoodo" doctor.

The Race's Poet Laureate.

Bryan, Texas, Special.

We are proud to have in our midst the poet laureate of the race, in the person of Dr. A. A. Whitman, who delivered a spirited address on the 30th ult., subject: "The New South." Dr. Whitman, who was reported a while back to be in a very serious physical condition, is improving greatly in health and is now traversing this state for its betterment. He preached at Allen Chapel A. M. E. church on the 2nd inst. with marvelous power and effect. His address to the Sabbath-school on the morning of the 2nd was of great depth, yet so clear that even the child-mind could comprehend both thought and language. The Doctor's poem "The Cowbells," first read here in the Christmas number of The Freeman, is pronounced "sweet and true to nature."

A Sham Wedding.

Winchester, Va., Special.

On the evening of March 27th a sham wedding took place at the Odd Fellow's hall, at 8.30 o'clock. The bride and groom came in preceded by the waiters and waitresses. Miss Mary Gray on the arm of Mr. William Darks, Miss Mary Burwell on the arm of Mr. Hayes Brown, followed by the bride and groom, who were Mr. John I. Gray and Miss Emma Tokes. Mr T. T. Brown acted as father and Mrs. Jane Brown as mother of the bride, Miss Hattie Anderson played the march and Acquilla Stephenson officiated as Reverend, Miss Gray wore a pink silk, Miss Burwell wore a blue silk; the gentlemen wore the conventional black. Rev. Newman baptized twenty April 2nd Buy The Freeman of Hayes Brown. Subscribers will please pay the agent.

TEMPER THEIR PREJUDICES

And Measure the Negro by the Yardstick Used for Other

Nationalities—Church, School and Fraternal Organizations—Northern Negro-Haters Outdo Southern.

Fayetteville, Ark., Special.

Fayetteville is situated in the Northwestern part of Arkansas, on the San Francisco railroad. It is the county seat of Washington county. It has a population of 3,000 inhabitants and about 300 Afro-Americans. The city is high and rocky, surrounded by many mountain peaks in the distance, upon whose summits are verdant plains, affording retreats for those who are weary and wish to view the surrounding country. There can be no healthier climate found in the United States. Its altitude and position make it one of the finest summer resorts in the United States. Among its rocks and hills gush some of the best water in the country. People from all parts of the malarial portions of the South seek this city for a summer resort. Already the hotels are teeming with people, thirsty for the pure mountain air and water this city affords. The Afro-Americans here are generally prosperous and thrifty, a majority of whom own their own homes in which happiness and independence are conspicuously blended. Mrs Vina Patterson owns the handsomest residence among Afro-Americans in the city. This reflects great credit upon the owner for her industry and economy. This is the fact that should be kept constantly before the race, the importance of owning their own homes. This acts as a barrier against unhappiness and dependence and paves the way to future prosperity. There are two churches here among the race, Methodist and Baptist, the former being pastored by Rev. Seth Neal and the latter by Rev. R. D. Dunbar. This city is well represented by secret organizations, there being among us the G. U. O. of O. F., Knights of Tabor, the Mosaic Templars, and the Daughters. All of these institutions are doing well. Thank God for this. Our educational advantages here are good. The Henderson school, taught by Prof. G. H. Hill and wife, is doing well, the attendance being more than one hundred pupils. Our city superintendent is Prof. N. P. Gates, who esteems it a pleasure to visit our school and infuse principles of high aspiration in the pupils. He does not visit the colored school as though he was visiting a "nigger" school, but as a school taught by a lady and gentleman whose highest ambition is to elevate their pupils to a higher standard.

Prof. Gates does not treat our pupils as "niggers," but as children with souls earnestly seeking to better their condition. He never fails to emphasize the moral condition of the child, and earnestly enjoins upon the teachers that unless pupils are trained and taught good manners, morality, and intelligence, their education or knowledge in other things will be of but little benefit in after life. It is said by many Afro-Americans here, that to be in the superintendent's presence is an incentive to reach out for nobler and higher acquisition. I would not close this communication without saying something relative to the relation of the two races here. When I take into consideration the many things said and proposed in solution of the "race problem," I readily conclude that this is the most important element in this article. Around it clusters the progress of the race here. I have been a close observer ever since I have been here and it is my honest conviction that there is not a city south of Mason and Dixon's line, where the two races are getting along better and where the Negro is afforded fairer play. There has never been a Negro mobbed here since Emancipation, neither intimidated in exercising the right of suffrage, his constitutional birthright. Of course there are hot-headed fire-eaters here as in the North but the better classes neutralize their inclination whenever the provocation justifies the rousing of the passion to atrocious crimes. It is a fact that the whites of this city are more anxious to have many of the Afro-Americans elevated than they are to accept the opportunities. The relation of the two races here are far superior to many northern cities where copperheads control. If the southern whites are afflicted with racial prejudice, they are honest in it. Of all men in the South, who hate the Negro with inveterate hatred, it is many of the Northern white men who come south and mingle with the Negro. It takes a strong and influential native born southerner to excell them in their hatred toward the Negro. This element of copperheads of the North, in the South, have been truly called "fawning sycophants," following southern society for the loaves and fishes, and seeking to immortalize themselves in hearts like their own, by eternally spewing out venom and hate against the Negro.

To illustrate the fair treatment given the Negro in this city, I will mention a fact which will substantiate former assumption: A Negro, of this city, a year ago was charged with a grave crime. This indignity had been heaped upon one P. J. Quilty (white), a tailor. The accused was arrested according to law, and gave bond. The white citizens of the town became so enraged that many thought the accused would be lynched. A mass meeting was held and the Afro-American was sent for. Prominent whites arose in the meeting and stated in substance, that they wanted good citizens to go after the prisoner, that no hot-heads were wanted. On being examined the Negro acknowledged the crime and told the name of the white man who hired him. Nothing was done to the Negro more than he was ordered to leave town, the white man being made to leave. This same Negro is back here pursuing the even tenor of his way, unmolested. This shows that the whites of this city are not as bloodthirsty as the southerners are generally supposed to be. Had this occurred in some of the other towns south, the bones of the accursed would now be bleaching in the soil. While the Texas roasting, stands unparalleled in the annals of crime, the better element of the whites in this city are not in sympathy with such canibalism and believe in the supremacy of the law. While your paper is published at the home of ex-President Harrison, it will give many prominent colored men in the South consolation to know, that for standing up for the rights of the colored man, and protesting against the inhumanity perpetrated against him, Gov. Hogg, of Texas, puts Mr. Harrison to shame. Indeed, the writer, regards Gov. Hogg as a man of much more moral courage than ex-President Harrison

Easter day was duly observed at the M. E. church. The programme was well executed. Many beautiful songs were rendered by the choir under the instruction of Prof. G. H. Hill. Collection $6,55. The crowning part of the programme was the solo, "Let me In," sung by Miss Cora Patterson. Miss Patterson is considered by experts to be one of the finest vocalists in the state. While you of the North are boasting of your Mme. S. Jones, you forget that we have Mme. S. Jones No. 2 in the person of Miss Cora Patterson. She sang in the opera house last winter and carried the audience by storm, white gentlemen told me that she had a bright future. Oh! how we wish that this genius of song could sing at the World's Fair. When she sang in the M. E. church on Easter, she swayed the audience at will. It seemed that all hearts entered the song with her. She held them imagining the future happiness "over there," until it was her will to let the audience be itself again. When she finished, she was highly applauded by the congregation, notwithstanding, it was the Sabbath.

Patronize those whites in business who subscribe for The Freeman. The Freeman is gaining ground here among both colored and white. If Miss Patterson should visit the World's Fair, you will here her sing, and when you hear her sing consider her one of the best in the South, and we say the luminous meteor of song. Miss. Patterson is a former student of Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.

Trenton, N. J.

Alfred Scruly received a volume of Brown's Business Correspondence and Manuel of Dictation. He is so delighted in it that he is going to try and get the agency for it. Mr. James Harris and companion will start in a few days for Chicago. Post 36, of this city, will give a grand fair. Mr. Horn, the young colored letter carrier, stood examination recently. This city will soon be thinned out on account of the World's Fair, there will be plenty of room for numbers of good men. Our Work House will be completed in three weeks.

Wedding Bells.

Adairville, Ky., Special.

Miss Emma Owendoff, neice of Mr. Henry Owendoff, and Mr. Marshal Ewing, were married at the residence of Mr. Wm. Bradley on March 26th, Elder S. L. Knox performed the ceremony, after the ceremony the guests were invited to the dining room, where Mrs. Bradley had spared no pains in seating them to a beautiful table laden with all the delicacies that could be prepaired, among those that were present were, Mr. and Miss Oats Elder, Mrs. Knox, Elder and Mrs. Selectman, Mr. and Mrs. Owendoff, Mrs. and Miss Edmondson and others, the number is too numerous to mention, for the present they will reside at the residence of Mr. Bradley, brother-in-law of the groom, we wish them a happy journey. The A. M. E Zion church is holding their quarterly conference, Elder Curry presiding. Tom Simmons will open an ice cream parlor, he is erecting a new building between the two churches, where he can get all the boys and girls. Mr. Ben. Philips is also erecting a new building. Mr. Tally has completed his house and moved in. We are glad to know that our race have come to the conclusion that it is better to buy than to rent. Mrs. Henry Roney has lagrippe. Miss Selenia Bowling has been confined to her bed with fever for two weeks. Miss Minnie Jennings is very sick. Miss Hattie Powell is able to be out. Miss Callie Haddox left us for the country Friday. Mrs. Sam. Hite is with us again.

WOMAN'S WORLD.

Instructive and Interesting Items of News

Gleaned from Philosophers' Puns and Press Comments Pertaining to Women.

A race, no less than a nation, is prosperous in proportion to the intelligence of its women.

Mrs. Julia A. Foot, the Evangelist, is in Alabama.

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Flora Batson sang in New Haven, Conn., April 12th.

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Miss Adah Brown, the reader, is travelling with Miss Marie Wainwright.

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Edmonia Lewis, the colored sculptoress, will soon leave Rome for America.

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Miss Ednorah Nahar has established an entertainment bureau at Chicago, Illinois.

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A house of refuge for colored girls has been established in Louisville, Kentucky.

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Mrs. Parker, of Minneapolis, Minn., has been offered a good position at the World's Fair.

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Miss E. M. Carter, of New Orleans, will edit the Christian Index at Jackson, Tenn,

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, of Washington, D. C., is one of the race's most talented writers.

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Miss Estella Thornton, formerly of Leavenworth and Topeka, is on the Chicago Appeal.

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Mme. Sissieretta Jones was entertained at the Lindell hotel during her stay in St. Louis.

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The Hyer Sisters are no longer regular stage artists, appearing only in special engagements,

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Mme. Sissieretta Jones was the guest of the Leading Commandery of St. Louis, at an Easter reception.

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Miss Jennie May Kirk, of Carrolton, is becoming famous as a lecturer and exhibitor of stereopticon views.

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The handsomest residence owned by Afro-Americans in Fayetteville, Ark., is owned by Mrs. Vina Patterson.

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The colored Widows' and Orphans' Home, of Leavenworth, Kas., has secured an appropriation of $1,800.

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The fastest type setter in California is a young colored lady who is employed in a newspaper office in Santa Barbara.

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Mrs. Frances J. Jackson, for several years teacher in Memphis, Tenn., and Kansas City, has given up school work on account of poor health.

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Miss Mamie Branton, of Amherstburg, President of the Women's Home Mission Society, is visiting all the Baptist churches in the Province.

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Mrs. R. D. Boone, of Chicago, has been elected vice-president of the Illinois Woman's Alliance, an orgsnization composed of the most influential white ladies of this city.

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The Woman's League, of the two Kansas City's, have decided to endorse Mrs. John F. Cook, of Washington, D. C., to represent the Colored Women's League at the World's Fair.

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Miss Josephine Jackson, daughter of Rev. J, W. H. Jackson, of Springfield, Ill., has been asked by the committee of the Art department of the World's Fair, to exhibit the head of Niobe.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Ensley, an Afro-American graduate of the Boston Art school, has painted a fine portrait of Hon. Frederick Douglas, which will be in the woman's exhibition at the World's Fair.

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Mattie Clark, an "Afro-American" of Tyler, Tex., committed suicide March 14th, by saturating her clothing with kerosene, applying a match and roasting herself to death. No cause is given for the act.

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Mrs. Jennie E. Sharp, of Monrovia, Africa, who came over to this country to recuperate her health, she will enter at Spelman Seminary, at Atlanta, as a student, a little African girl whom she brought with her.

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Dollie Johnson, who is the cook at the White House, was born and reared in Georgetown. She was a slave, the property of the late Mrs. Jane Miller. She will get $150 a month. She cooked for President Harrison the first seven months of his term at $75 a month.

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The World's Fair Women's Committe has extended an invitation to Mrs Fannie Barrier Williams, of Chicago, to deliver an address before one of the congresses on "the present status of the colored women of the United States and their progress since emancipation."

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Miss Lilly Lee, teacher of drawing in the Sumner High School, of St. Louis, Mo,, has received gratifying recognition of her skill as a teacher. Twenty art studies from her class, have been selected by the committee on Missouri school exhibits, to be put on exhibition at the World's Fair. A larger number than will be exhibited by any other class in St. Louis,

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The injured in the college fire at Little Rock, Ark., are Misses Ida Harris, teacher of Oberlin, O., right leg broken; Irene Reid, Dermott, Ark,, left arm broken; Florida Feely, Bloomington, Ill., back injured, may die; Hattie Turner, Searcy, Ark., internal injuries; Mary Pratt, Sandusky, O., internal injuries; Mary Wilson, Little Rock, the cook, internal injuries.

A VOTING CONTEST

For a Handsome Sword—The Enthusiasm—The Victor.

Augusta, Ga., Special.

The Brothers and Sisters of Love Society gave a grand fair Concert and Voting contest at the Waiters' hall, March 27th and 28th. It was the grandest contest ever held in the city. The hall was crowded with people, young and old, and was a scene of enjoyment and laughter. At 10:30 o'clock the voting took place. The voting was to elect the highest commissioned officer. The race was between Capt. Golphin, Capt. Commings and Andj. Redfield. When the time for the voting came, each officer walked up and polled a vote for his opponent, after which the crowd began to vote. As a handsome fifty dollar sword was to be awarded the most popular officer, every one present was anxious to vote, and shouts were heard all over the room. So every one had something to say about it. It was one of the grandest affairs ever seen in the city. About half past eleven o'clock the people were warned to put in their votes in thirty minutes, as the polls would close. In the meantime Adj. Redfield in a crowd of young men marched up to the box and polled their votes in Adj. Redfield's favor. This was a blow for Adj. Redfield, as some had began to think that handsome sword would fall to him. Each officer had friends to talk to their interest. In this respect Adj. Redfield had but little advantage, as he is one of the carriers in the postoffice department, so he had but little time to notify his friends of his race in the contest. The votes were all polled and the ballots counted. Mr. Floyd, of the Sentinel, was the gentleman to whom this was entrusted. All were anxious to hear the result. Mr. Floyd then reported the number of votes that had been polled for each officer: Adj. Redfield, 401 votes; Capt. Commings, something over 300; Capt. Golphin, 1,115 votes. In a few minutes later, to the surprise of the people, they came in with Capt. Golphin on the pole and it on their shoulders, and the fifty dollar sword was presented to Capt. Golphin, of the Douglass. Robt. Sherman, an aged colored man, was run over by an engine in the Georgia R. R. yard here some days ago and was horribly smashed. He lived but a few hours. He was an employee in the yard and met his death by falling, the engine passing over him. He was connected in the family of Mr. Wade, on Gwynett street. Just two months prior to his death he lost his wife. Miss Hattie Youngblood, 1004 Miller street, is trying The Freeman, after which she may become a regular subscriber. All who wish to continue their subscription for The Freeman, after the 4th Sunday in this month, will have to do so by the month, as the agent will not deliver the paper to you. So those wishing to have the paper may pay him the month's subscription and get your paper by mail. W. A. Sparks, agent, 428 9th street.

COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

Distinguished Guests at The Exercises—Prominent Features.

Raleigh, N. C., Special.

Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., is accomplishing grand, noble and beneficial results for the race, under the presidency and management of Dr. H. M. Tuppen an unwearied toiler for good. The Leonard Medical School and Law Department held their annual commencement exercises March 29th and 30th respectively. There were ten members in the graduating class in medicine and one in law, all of whom obtained exceptionally high rank in their final examinations, and acquitted themselves excellently on graduating. One feature most prominent on the above occasions mentioned, and at the same time very interesting and gratifying to our people, was the presence and speeches to the graduates of some of the ablest and most eminent white men of the "Old North State," such men for instance as, Judges Shepherd, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, and his Associate, Hon. Jas. C. MacRoe, the principal oration on the occasion, Hon. R. H. Battle, besides other distinguished individuals from Philadelphia and Massachusetts.

Such recognition and encouragement from the leading and best white men of the South is a harbinger of a better and more auspicious day for the race and a gradual solution of the much vexed Negro problem. The last, but not by any means least, was the most excellent music on the above occasions, so highly enjoyed and appreciated by the large audiences. The music rendered was under the direction of Miss Lena Kennedy, formerly of Sioux Falls, S. D. Miss Kennedy is a natural born musician, her selections are refined, classical and artistic in their character and execution. This is the second time that she has been connected with Shaw University as music teacher. For two years she was at Bennett College in the same capacity. Wherever she has taught music, she has given complete satisfaction, and many are the regrets, whenever she feels it her duty to go elsewhere. The officers of the St. Paul A. M. E. church made their first appearance on the stage last Friday night at an entertainment given for the benefit of raising funds for the church, which consisted in recitations, declamations, essays, speeches, etc., controlled and performed by the officers of the church wholly. It was quite interesting and effective to hear these old men. We hope they will come again.

RIGHTS OF NEGROES.

Verdict Against a Railroad Company Owing to the "Jim Crow" Car System.

New York, Special.

A jury in the United States Circuit Court to-day fixed $800 as the damages which a railroad company should pay for making a mulatto woman and her children ride in a dirty car set apart for the use of Negroes. The suit was brought by Mack W. Caldwell, of Brooklyn, a mulatto, and his wife, Mamie Caldwell, against the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad Company, and the sum claimed was $5,000. T. McCants Stewart, the colored lawyer, and T. C. Babbett appeared for the plaintiffs, and Edgar M. Johnson, of Hoadly, Lauterbach & Johnson, for the defendents. On August 10, 1891, Mrs. Caldwell bought a first class ticket for herself and her three children, all of them under five years of age, from Johnson City, Tenn., to Chicago, for $19 15. She was about to enter one of the ordinary coaches when the conductor told her she would have to go into the front car.

This was divided into two compartments, one for men to smoke in and the other for Negroes. The door between the two was often left open, so both were filled with the fumes of tobacco smoke. Mrs. Caldwell testified that the compartment in which she was, was filled with disagreeable old Negro women, who talked of subjects which offended her ears. There were two newly married persons who hugged and kissed one another frequently. The air was bad and the car extremely dirty. Two witnesses corroborated Mrs. Caldwell. Samuel D. Haun, the conductor of the train, said that the "Jim Crow" car was as good as any other in the train. He said he would not have objected to having his wife and children in the car. E. B. Clark, a clerk of the railroad company, testified that the car had just been renovated. In his charge to the jury Judge Wallace said suggestively. "No doubt all of you gentlemen have traveled in the South and know what a "Jim Crow" car is. I have traveled considerably and know one when I see it." The jury was out about fifteen minutes and returned a verdict awarding $800 damages.

Pryorsburg, Ky.

Our city is improving and population is increasing. The A. M. E. church held their District conference and Sunday-school convention in our city. It convened in St. James A. M. E. church Wednesday morning, March 22nd, with P. E. Jackson, of Paducah district in the chair. All the ministers of the district were present and the session was a pleasant one. On the completion of business of the conference the Sunday-school convention convened Friday morning, March 24th, with District Supt. Show presiding. Every one seemed well pleased. The Sunday following was Quarterly meeting, at which Father Moses Burk's funeral was preached by Presiding Elder Jackson. A number of people came over from Mayfield.

NOBLY DEFEND THEMSELVES

Threatened by Lynchers They arm Themselves And

Foil the Human Blood-hounds—A Few Such Stands Will Put Lynchings and White Capism to Flight.

Fort Valley, Ga., Special.

About midnight of March 26th, a flying messenger came in from the plantation of Mr. S. H. Bassett, announcing that white caps had attacked his Negro laborers again and that a regular war was being carried on out there. Your representatives arrived on the scene about 2 a. m. and found that there was considerable excitement, and as the crowd augmented the excitement increased. Some weeks ago white caps visited Mr. Basett's plantation and shot one of his Negro laborers. Gov. Northern promptly offered a reward of $100 each for them. This attracted the attention of detectives and reports have it that several have been giving that section special attention for some time, Yesterday some of Mr. Bassett's hands were fishing at Barnes's mill when Martin Bryant, with a gang of friends, came upon them. Bryant called Bill Brown, the Negro shot some weeks ago, to one side and said with an oath:

"You have been accusing us of being white caps and have put the detectives after us. We will kill you for it to-night." Another Negro, fishing near by, heard this threat and when Bryant joined his friends the Negroes slipped home, fearing a row if they remained, and informed Mr. Bassett of the threat. Mr. Bassett paid little or no attention to their news and tried to convince them that there was nothing in it. The Negroes, however, thought differently and were uneasy. The climax came about 11 o'clock last night, when a Negro, Louis Jackson, heard the white caps coming. He jumped out of bed and ran a quarter of a mile to Mr. Bassett's house and informed him, but Mr. Bassett thought there was nothing of it. In a few minutes, however, he heard the report of guns and before he could get out of the house, another Negro ran up, telling him that the white caps were killing folks down in the "quarters," Mr. Bassett then went toward his quarter, meeting three of his hands in a small grove.

He heard the threats of the white caps and told his Negroes to get in a ditch and he would get behind the well and await development. His wait was a short one, for he had hardly fixed himself before he heard them getting over the fence coming toward them. One of them spoke and Mr, Bassett recognized them, when he came out from behind the well and said to them:

"Gentlemen, you must stop; you are on my premises, and you must not advance any farther."

Marion Bryant, the man whom Mr. Bassett recognized, said:

"Yes, we will come farther. You have put a detective after us and we are going to settle it."

Mr. Bassett then grabbed Bryant, and as he did so, his Negroes fired on the other leader, killing him in his tracks. The third one of the advance guard then turned upon his heel and departed. The man who was killed was William Hatcher, whose father is a good citizen and a Mason in good standing. In the excitement and knowing there was a crowd back of these three, Mr. Bassett let Bryant get away and summoned help from his neighbors and from Fort Valley. They knew the woods were full of white caps, so they lay in ambush to await developments. In about two hour's time, Bryant and John Hatcher, a brother of the dead man, returned, it is thought, to remove Hatcher's body, but on approaching the spot in the dark, Bryant ran into Marshal Cooper's arms and was quickly secured. On being questioned, he said he returned only to remain with the corpse until the coroner arrived. This yarn did not serve its purpose, and Marshal Cooper held him.

The coroner impaneled a jury to investigate the killing, with A. S. Martin as foreman. The jury had Dr. J. W. Mitchell to examine the dead man, and his report was: "The man's death was caused by a gunshot wound." The jury then divided the witnesses and for over two hours plied them with the most searching questions. Great stress was laid on the fact that Marion Bryant refused to answer the questions about his threatening the Negroes yesterday, and admitted that Mr. Bassett told him several times to stop and not intrude on his property. As to who killed Hatcher, the jury did not determine, but the verdict was that he came to his death from a gunshot wound inflicted by one of the following parties, viz: Bill Brown, Douglass Taylor or Clark Taylor, all colored, and in their judgment the same was justifiable homicide.

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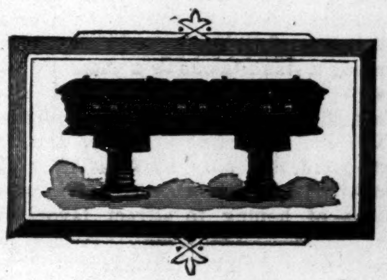

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ANOTHER LETTER FROM MR. DOUGLASS.

Editor The Freeman:

DEAR SIR:—I regret to see the continued efforts of the Afro-American press to misrepresent and disparage the proposal to set apart one day of the World's Columbian Exposition for the exhibition of the musical attainments of our people. It seems to me that the contemplated occasion can be made, and in all probability will be made, an important assistance in raising the estimate of the race both of cis-atlantic and trans-atlantic friends who shall witness the demonstration. The feature objected to in it is due to a misapprehension, rather than a demerit of the occasion itself. There certainly can be no objection to the opening of such a concert, with an address to the Almighty either in the way of petition or thanksgiving, and it seems to me that I have successfully answered your objections to a pamphlet, and the argument applies with equal force in favor of the proposed Festival. The fact that we are but meagrely represented in the management of the great Exposition should not in a spirit of petulance be resented by a spirit of refusal to avail ourselves of any advantage to our people, however small that advantage may be. All that we have ever received has come to us in small concessions and it is not the part of wisdom to despise the day of small things.

With all deference therefore to your wisdom, I must venture to differ with you in regard to this matter.

Respectfully Yours,
FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

Those members of the Afro-American press, if any, who have been guilty of a desire to "misrepresent and disparage" in the direction complained of by Mr. Douglass, will please stand up and be counted, and after make such apology as their conscience shall dictate in the matter. THE FREEMAN hastens to say that Mr. Douglass' reflection finds no lodgement here. We know not misrepresentation, it being a weapon that only cowards use, and not to be given a place for one moment in the armory of an upright, honorable journal, of the class we hope THE FREEMAN trains with. If THE FREEMAN has spoken disparingly, and it has, of the proposed "Jubilee Day," it did so because it was honest and sincere in its opposition, for reasons plainly stated, which we believe met the general approbation of our readers, but which opposition would have been the same, permit us to inform Mr. Douglass, feeling we were right, regardless of who was with or against us. We make no pretense to infallible judgment, nor are we imperviovs to the misconceptions and near-sightedness that other ordinary mortals are heir to, but we do pride ourselves on being honest and straight-forward in our opinions, such as they are, minus flapdoodle and gush, and whenever we lack the courage to publish them, we will no longer take the money of our patrons, who we apprehend are giving us their support, not for fun, but something.

Pending Mr. Douglass' pleasure to inform us the nature of the "misapprehension" entertained of the "Jubilee" idea, by its opposers, we certainly agree with him, that the "opening of such a concert," if concert it is to be, and we must have it, should be, and with great propriety, by "an address to the Almighty."

But here comes the curious, (not laughable, for Frederick Douglass is not to be laughed at), feature of Mr. Douglass' letter.

His communication spread before us, as we write, bears date April 5th, on which day THE FREEMAN containing Mr. Douglass' defense of the "Pamphlet" and our review of the same went to press, three days before it reached him, or our thousands of readers throughout the different states of the Union.

But what mattered that, with a confidence born of a sense of prescience worthy a seer of astrology, Mr. Douglass modestly says:

"I have successfully answered your objections to a pamphlet, and the argument applies with equal force in favor of the proposed Festival."

Mr. Douglass is a very great man, and we shan't object to him considering himself prosecutor, jury and judge, in the 'Pamphlet" matter, but will Mr. Douglass permit us to suggest, that it would have been more in the line of his admirable and well known modesty, had he waited a day or so longer before announcing how "successfully" he had answered our objections?

Certainly Mr. Douglass knew before his letter and our comment upon it had gone to press, that he had met all our "objections," and skinned us alive as it were, but how could it have been known to any one else?

However, we are glad Mr Douglass has at last realized that he can't consistently urge the "Pamphlet" idea, and allow the "Jubilee Day" to "die abornin." It is never too late to do good, and while Mr. Douglass wisely concludes not to despise the day of small things, how would it do for him to turn his powers of persuasion upon his capable and enthusiastic co-worker in the "Pamphlet" business, Miss Wells?

Did Mr. Douglass not know it, well then the subjoined letter over Miss Well's signature, which appeared in THE FREEMAN, March 4th, may prove instructive to him.

Editor The Freeman:

Accept my congratulations on the editorial in current FREEMAN against the Afro-American Jubilee Day at the World's Fair. It is in the nature of things that we cannot always agree on matters affecting race interest, but this is one which every self-respecting person, it seems to me, can agree. I am more than gratified to find THE FREEMAN in line. The Afro-American press is a gradually growing power and rightly used it will at last win the race's victory.

Respectfully,
IDA B. WELLS.

New York, Feb. 25th.

The probabilities are that both the "Pamphlet" and "Jubilee" ideas are dead already, if they have ever been really alive, but Mr. Douglass being a persistent fighter, might with a good show of sagacity, linked to a hope of broader result, first persuade Miss Wells to share his "Jubilee" views, before waxing impatient with the Afro-American press for its apparent disinclination to do so.

LINES THAT GOVERN US.

The admission of our esteemed contemporary, the Omaha Enterprise, that THE FREEMAN, as a Negro journal, is the greatest news gatherer on the Globe, is but a portion of the truth concerning the race's greatest paper. THE FREEMAN not only affords its readers more race news each week, than any two of its many splendid rivals, but in all the other features that go to make up a first-class newspaper it stands alone in a class by itself. This fact is pretty generally admitted by people who have an opinion and are competent to judge, and if disputed, it is only by those chick-a-de-dee journalists who make the mistake of hoping to attract favorable attention to themselves by making vain faces at THE FREEMAN.

What are THE FREEMAN's methods? The question is a natural and a fair one, and on some day, in the near future, it shall be our pleasure to answer it fully and without reserve, pending that time, the following brief extract from the Inter-Ocean's graphic resume of its twenty-one years of life will be instructive to many of our readers as telling in part, the trials and tribulations attendant upon the establishment and growth of a great newspaper.

"Establishing a newspaper is not a pastime, as many men have discovered. It calls for enterprise, capital, foresight and courage. Above all else it calls for faith in civilization and the recognition of earnest and honest effort for the betterment of the community. It requires that faith which can see money disappear like bread cast upon the waters, believing that it will return. The newspaper cannot be made to order. It must be a growth like the character of man. Whatever its merit that can only be determined by years of fidelity to truth and principle. It may gather the news and make a great noise, but without the reputation for reliability it still falls short of its aim, and is not entitled to regard as a really great newspaper. Its reputation rests with the readers as man's reputation rests with his contemporaries and those he seeks to serve. The people must have confidence in the paper to accept its reports as honest and true, and its editorial expressions as those governed by a conscience and a desire to serve the public good rather than some selfish interests."

"Fidelity to truth and principle" was the Inter-Ocean's talisman of success, and since the new proprietorship and management assumed the control of THE FREEMAN, now within a few weeks of one year, the same talisman and rule has guided and shaped its course.

It has not been content to give its readers more race news each week than could be obtained elsewhere, but it has above all sought to be reliable.

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All the regular sort of thing,
Shows the almanac is right when
It proclaims that this is s——g

PLEASANT WORDS FOR MR. KNOX.

Kind words, based upon genuine appreciation, which come unsought, is the most valued heritage that can reach one in life. Mr. Knox, the proprietor of THE FREEMAN, and we write this without his knowledge, for he is a modest, as well as a successful man, has long since attracted praiseful attention outside the realm of his immediate sphere and race, which in a certain sense is public property, for "what one doeth well is good for all." The Western Christian Advocate, published at Cincinnati, a great paper, edited by the learned David H. Moore, D. D., in its issue of March 22nd, thus pleasantly refers to Mr Knox:

"George Levi Knox was formerly a slave in Tennessee, where he was born and raised. He came to Indianapolis nineteen years ago, and is to-day among the distinguished citizens of that city. He owns and publishes THE FREEMAN, a national illustrated colored weekly newspaper, with a bona fide circulation of more than ten thousand copies. By a look into his mailing-books it will be seen that his paper goes into every State and Territory of the Union, and several hundred copies are sent to foreign lands. The paper is independent in all things, with rather decided religious and Republican proclivities. Mr. Knox is a man of business. He runs the barber-shops connected with two of the large hotels of the city Including the attaches of his paper, he has fifty-five employees on his weekly pay-roll. He was a member of the General Conference of 1888 and 1893 and made some reputation as a public speaker at each of them. It was through his influence, more than that of any other man's, that Dr. E. W. S. Hammond was elected editor of the Southwestern at the last General Conference."

The Interior, another great journal, published at Chicago, not to be outdone by its Cincinnati contemporary, publishes a fine "cut" of THE FREEMAN's proprietor, saying:

"We reproduce from THE FREEMAN, an illustrated colored newspaper, a portrait of Mr. Knox. The Christmas issue of THE FREEMAN was a genuine surprise. The editor said: 'Every type that is set on this paper is set by a Negro. Every line of copy is conceived in a Negro's brain, and written by a pen held in the fingers of a Negro. Every work of art, every cut, cartoon, picture or embellished head that adorns the pages of this number, is a reflex of Negro skill and genius" We suppose the Christmas edition of THE FREEMAN is all sold, but we wish our readers could see it. The subscription price is $2 40; six months, $1.35; three months, 75 cents. We gladly gve this lift to the black shoulder, which out of Christian love, carries the old master."

The Advocate errs in stating when Mr. Knox came to Indianapolis, which was twenty-nine instead of nineteen years ago, also in the circulation of THE FREEMAN, which is nearer twenty thousand than ten.

AN OPINION FROM FLORIDA.

EDITOR OF THE FREEMAN:

I have just read your able editorial repudiating the idea of a "nigger jubilee day," and more recent idea of a "nigger pamphlet" I certainly agree with the manly stand taken by you; not that I the less appreciate Hon. Frederick Douglass' matchless ability, and I shall forever look with unbounded admiration upon his great services and heroic sacrifices for our race; sacrifices which can never be dimmed by any fault in his judgement, for we know that the heart of the illustrious Douglass beats ever for his race's good, ever as a father loveth his own child

Sir, it can not be that the World's Columbian Exposition managers will be so un-American—nay! un-christian —uncharitable as to deny those of our race who will furnish exhibits, the right to label said exhibits in a way that it will be seen and known by observers who, and of what race the exhibitor is; for instance: If I should exhibit something, permit me my right to label it thus: "Constructed, made, designed or done (as the case may be) by Rev. Cæsar A A. Taylor, a Negro, an American citizen residing at Jacksonville city, county Duval and state of Florida, United States of America." There can certainly be no objection to this, besides it is proper and correct and will hold to the front our industry, thus securing to the race that credit due us, while at the same time the exhibit, if creditable, will present evidences of the Negro's skill, ingenuity, thrift, industry and inventive genius; it will show to the world the Negro's susceptibility to the highest development, and their diverse ability to do whatsoever other races of men can do in spite of great disadvantages. By this means, if no other, we will give the lie to those who would hide our industry and thus make appear as a truth their published claims that we are an inferior, incapaciated race. We must redeem ourselves as a race from a false charge in which our fellow Americans citizens would misrepresent us to the world.

Yours for eternal right,
REV. CÆSAR A. A. TAYLOR.
Jacksonville, Fla.

Inasmuch as the race is without representation on the Board of Management, the suggestion of Mr. Taylor is timely and practicable. There is no question in our mind, despite all statements to the contrary but that there will be many Negro exhibitors at the coming Exposition, hence it will be due them, and beyond them the race, that in the matter of marking or labelling their exhibits, great care and solicitation should be displayed. In the matter of consideration in the first instance, by the creator of the powers selected to control the management of the Fair, we were shamfully, vilely discriminated against, to what extent then that we shall participate as a race, let us see to it, not to discriminate against ourselves, either in the matter of self proscription, which a race Pamphlet, or a Jubilee Day would amount to, or through indolence and carelessness, in properly marking and registering our display. We can assure Mr. Taylor that there need be no apprehension that the Board of Managers will interfere with that right.

AGAINST THE PAMPHLET IDEA.

An Opinion or Two.

A petition by Hon. Fred. Douglass and Miss Ida B Wells is going around appealing to the race to contribute money to issue a pamphlet for free distribution at the World's Fair, setting forth the improvement, the outrages and the needs of the Negro race. We cannot see the good to come from such a venture. The people to whom such a document would appeal, know already these things. It would be a better investment to distribute such a document with appropriate make up, among the Negroes of the South.—The Item

Announcement is made through several of our race papers for Negroes to to send to the Hon. Frederick Douglass contributions of money to be used in printing and circulating literature at the World's Columbian Exposition, that the world may be advised of our progress and achievements. The amount asked for is $5,000, and Mr Douglass has contributed $50 himself.

The scheme may be all right, but we are not in favor of it. If, as a race, we are seeking foreign homes, foreign markets for our produce, our skill, our works of art or our capital, it may be advisable for us to put $5,000 on paper to show or tell the world what we have. But the Solicitor is of the opinion that as a race, we have no more cash than we need, hence our advice is to keep all you possibly can of what we already have, and get as much more as we possibly can get.

If the wealthy men of the race want to do something that will benefit the race, and stand as a living monument to their philanthropy, let them contribute toward the establishment of a national home for our thousands of orphan boys and girls who are fast going to ruin, filling our industrial schools, work houses and houses of prostitution. Let the white people make the display and spend their own money at the World's Fair. It's no affair of ours, anyway.—Negro Solicitor.

And now comes the Hon. Frederick Douglass and Miss Ida B. Wells in a card urging the Negroes of America to make contributions to a fund to be used to publish a pamphlet to be distributed at Chicago during the World's Fair, in order to show foreign visitors what progress we have made since emancipation.

We must confess that we are surprised at Mr. Douglass. Why need the Negroes seek to advertiee themselves upon such an occasion, as an odd race is beyond our comprehension. It is rather singular that Negroes who essay to lead us, and who are always shedding crocodile tears over the discrimination to which we poor devils in the South are subjected, should, upon an international occasion like this, advertise themselves as Negroes and attempt to tell of our achievements.

You'll not hear of the Irish, Jews, Italian or even the Chinee going into such a fool wind chase. We are sick and tired of such "stuff," and hope the Negroes of this country will not put their money into or otherwise encourage a thing which is calculated to make them the butt of ridicule in the eyes of the people of the world. We are going to Chicago as American citizens. As such let people view us and form their own conclusion. This will prove far more successful than could Mr. Douglass' proposed pamphlet.

The white people are making no discrimination against us and it is very unfortunate that such a man as Mr. Douglass should have made such a blunder. Go there as a citizen, uncle Fred., we are colored enough to be distinguished by our neighbors from over the waters, and our progress is just as transparent.—The Methodist Union.

Straws, indicate the way of the wind. Signs are not lacking that the Negro is growing further and further away from the dominance of "gush and sentiment," as the esteemed Statesman puts it, and commencing to think like a creature of common sense and judgement. Permit us to repeat again, that we do not believe the Negro of America intends to pay $5,000 to have his "tale of woe" printed in pamphlet form.

"WE agree with THE FREEMAN fully in its position on the pamphlet phase of the attitude of our people on the Great Columbian Exposition question, and endorse every word it has uttered on that importont question. Our worthy contemporary is entirely right. We are surprised and mortified to see that so clear-headed a leader as Frederick Douglass has been beguiled into endorsing such an ill-advised measure. Whither are we drifting."—New South.

Borrowing the Age man's touching gem, we say to our brother, "don't fret we'll be happy yet." The Negro, the wide-awake progressive Negro, who is too busy and too ambitious to live in the dead past, a day that is gone, is not drifting at all, but pushing right ahead, and the "gates of hell," ergo "poor white" prejudice and foolish race suggestions, shall not prevail against him.

A PRAYER.

Now that our bright Washington contemporary, The Pilot, has started to conquor and to win, with a bran new "head," and a bran "new management at its back," will it not kindly say, "taken from The Freeman" when it shall be constrained hereafter to use nearly a whole column of our matter in making up its "Notes Here and There Respecting the Doings of the Race?" Other "dear friends" please observe.

LAWYER STRAKER'S VIEWS.

Our esteemed friend, the Hon. D. Augustus Straker, who graces this issue of THE FREEMAN with a very readable resume from his cultured pen on the topics of the hour, the proposed race "Pamphlet" and "Jubilee Day," seems to be slightly mixed in his understanding of the purposes, scope and intent of the two fads in question, and for so generally clear a reasoner, painfully paradoxical in his statements and conclusions. To agree with us:

"That nothing should be done by us as Afro-Americans which should give color to any distinction or discrimination between us and any other race of people composing the American Republic,"

and then to urge in quite the next breath:

"I can see no objection to what is termed Pamphlet day,"

is to speak gently and with caution a "leetle bit" confusing. If Mr. Straker is sincere in agreeing with THE FREEMAN, and we have no right to think otherwise, that the race should avoid any action during the World's Exposition, which would give color to any "distinction" or "discrimination," how can he indorse either the "Pamphlet" or "Jubilee Day" idea, or urge the institution of what he would term a "History Day?" Our distinguished friend is also in error relative to the scope or uses of the "Pamphlet," not "Pamphlet Day." If we understand the aim of Mr. Douglass and his co-workers in the matter, no particular day will be selected on which to distribute it during the Exposition, but all through the great Fair, up to its last day, it will be given out, free, by thousands and tens of thousands, to the visitors within our gates, and the guests from foreign lands. THE FREEMAN has no opposition to offer against the "Pamphlet" that in its judgment does not fit equally the "Jubilee" and "History Day" urged by our friend. As we remarked last week, they are "blood cousins," and you can't swallow one, and refuse to masticate the others. However, time will demonstrate who was right in the matter, and whether THE FREEMAN's objections correctly guaged the pulse of the race. Mr. Straker makes an ingenius and strong argument for "History Day," as our readers will perceive by a perusal of his communication.

A CORRECTION.

In the Fisk University letter of last week, our correspondent inadvertently mentioned B. H. Northrop as delivering "The White Cross League" annnal address, which honor belonged to Rev. Dr. D. C. Kelly. All's well that ends well.

THE strain is simply appalling, when, oh when! we ask Mr. Cleveland, in the name of a patient contingent, who are sweating blood, will you break the record and appoint a colored man to office?

"THERE'S no use shilly shallying about it. The fact is, that THE FREEMAN gets more news from this Globe into its columns, than any other paper of its kind published in the United States.—Omaha Evening Enterprise.

Very true; and the breadth you show in admitting it, is to your very great credit.

CHEEKY, the Lancet, the great medical journal of London, sending its skilled experts across the ocean to test Chicago's drinking water. However, Chicago's humiliation may be humanity's gain. Boil your drinking water.

SEVERAL of our "able" race journals who hastened to publish the appeal for funds to get out a race pamphlet have dropped it from their columns, followed by a silence which seemeth to say, "Never say I did it, never shake thy gory locks at me!" Gentlemen, explain yourselves.

MORE HUNGRY THAN REVERENTIAL.

Colored Urchins Eat the Chicken From A Chinese Grave.

Hop Lee, the Chinese laundryman who died in Armourdale Saturday, was buried yesterday in the Union cemetery. Hop was a Free Mason and his funeral was under the auspices of the lodge of Chinese Free Masons of this city. Before leaving Carit's undertaking establishment the coffin containing the dead Chinaman was opened and a soft felt hat was placed on the head of the corpse, "so he no catchee cole," as one of the mourners expressed it. About half a bushel of curious looking bits of colored papers written all over with Chinese hieroglíphics, and a handful of Chinese coins were put into the coffin to ward off evil spirits and to pay ferriage across various rivers that Hop would have to cross before the Chinese heaven.

The funeral cortege was headed by the hearse, which was decorated by white flags with a chinese letter in the center. On the hearse beside the Caucasian driver sat an aged Chinaman. Following the hearse were six hacks containing the friends of the dead man among whom were several ladies from Armourdale who had learned to respect Hop during his long residence near them. Along the way to the cemetery the Chinaman kept scattering hand fulls of oblong tickets punched full of holes. The spirit of the dead man was supposed to dodging through these holes with the devil hot on his trail So long as the tickets held out the evil one could never catch up to the spirit, but if the supply of tickets should run short and Hop in his wild chase for liberty should find no more holes to jump through the devil would surely get him.

As the coffin was lowered into the grave a bottle of whisky was poured in on top of it amid the chattering of the twenty-five assembled Chinamen. When the grave had been filled up a roast chicken and several bowls of boiled rice were placed upon it. Then the Chinamen went away and half a dozen hungry colored children, who had been licking their chops as they eyed this wonderful waste of food, rushed in and eagerly devoured the chicken and rice, leaving poor Hop to travel the road to heaven on an empty stomach.—Ex.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY EXERCISES.

School Closing—Daughters of Eve Pull Hair—A Printing Firm.

Williston, S. C., Special.

The Mount Olive Benevolent Society met Sunday April 2nd, that being the day of their annual meeting, also of the election of officers for the ensuing year. The officers were all re-elected. The society seems to be moving at a rapid rate and its prospects are good. The Williston colored graded school, under the supervision of Prof. Sam'l H. Nix, closed April 4th. An excellent program was rendered. The examination was held Friday the 31st ult. and was creditable. Taking in consideration all the difficulties with which the school has had to contend, much credit is due our teacher for the manner in which he has conducted our school. The trustees of the school met on the 29th ult., and unanimously endorsed Prof. S. H Nix for the next term of school. Each member of the Board expressed himself as more than satisfied with his work and desired that no change be made in the management and no dissenting vote was given. He accepted the position tendered him, to the pleasure of all. Rev. Cole, principal of Cole high school, of Aiken, S. C., passed through here March 31st., enroute to the closing exercises of the school of Miss Rebecca Berry. Rev Cole was accompanied by Miss Berry's mother. The writer received a cordial invitation to be present, but press of business prevented his attendance. Reports reach us that the exercises were good and all were well pleased. Miss Berry is an ardent worker. A trouble occurred on our streets a day or two since, in which was involved two of our female citizens, viz: Mrs. Mattie Barnet and Mrs. Dinah Bowman. W. A. Nix, the junior partner of the firm of Sam'l H. Nix & Bro., job printers and stationers, Barnwell, S. C., has accepted a position with Paine, Shiel & Co., and is now on the road, we wish him much success. The Nix Brothers have done a rushing business as job printers during the past winter and have many orders waiting at their office to be filled.

WHAT A WHITE PAPER THINKS.

If The Negro is Driven Out Southern Treason to be Blamed.

At a large meeting of colored men recently held in Atlanta, Ga., in the interest of a momentous migration of Negroes from the South. Accounts are to the effect that one hundred thousand colored people will go to the West during the coming few months We are sure that the wrongs being endured by the race, have not been unnoted by leaders among the sufferers. It would be singular, and much to the discredit of the race, if no concerted measures have been shaped and matured. The climate of the South is best suited to the Negro, but Arctic weather in any clime is better than the torrid wrongs which he has endured. If labor is brought to a wringing premium by Negro emigration, Southern industries must languish, or there will be an influx of white workers who will not consent to be disfranchised or burned at the stake. We have often said that the North might some day be glad to depend on the South for aid in conceivable future perils. It is more than lamentable that room should be made in the South for foreign immigration, which can almost suddenly vote the Southern brigadiers out of their lunatic saddles. When the Negro is gone, this portentous transition will follow.

The South owes justice, patience, nurture, and toleration to the colored man, if only as a safeguard for the Republic. If intolerance and cruelty drive the Negro out of the South, that Southern treason, through its inevitable fruits, will be twice blacker than that of 1861. It is claimed that ninety per cent. of the South is Protestant. If so, it would seem as if Southern cruelty to the Negro, and its consequent irruption of foreigners to take the place of the banished Negro, were a Roman scheme in the interests of anti-Protestantism. Woe to the cruel Southern Protestant public opinion which, even by silence, permits revolutions and possible disaster! Appomattox was the penalty for the sins of 1861; but Hinnom may be the more terrible apex of the wrong against which the colored man again protests at Atlanta.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

THE PEACE PALM PROFFERED

But no Hand will Receive it—Dissenting Church Factions

Arbitrate, but not to an Amicable End—Both Factions Obdurate and a "Split" Imminent.

Jackson, Miss., Special.

The question as to how the First Baptist church sensation will terminate is a problem, and a serious one at that The latest development was the offer from the Williams-Brinkley combine, of $275 to Rev. E. B. Topp for his resignation as pastor. The "outs" now argue that Rev. Topp is the bone of contention, and that his resignation would settle things nicely and to the satisfaction of all. The Topp side called a meeting which convened on March 29th to consider the Williams-Brinkley offer, and upon reading the proposition to the Topp followers, a unanimous objection went up, and the "deal," as they styled it, was tabled by a unanimous rising vote of 125 present. Notwithstanding the horror with which the Topp people ostensibly looked on this Williams-Brinkley offer, they followed it up with the following provisional and reciprocal proposition·

"Resolved, That we make this proposition to Brother Williams & Co.: That if he will turn over to us the money in his possession, which is $128, we will give them the church, or if they will give us the church, we will give them the money in their possession."

Each side of the church appointed a committee of five to receive and try to accept the respective propositions, and these committees met April 2nd and neither side would accept the proposition of the other. Consequently, a split is generally regarded as inevitable. As will be remembered, a meeting was agreed upon recently to be held April 10th inst., but the Topp people desired to settle things peaceably, if they could, before that time, while the other side calls for the previous question, and they will have it. Owing to our having to go to press on Saturday, we will be compelled to announce the final outcome of this church affair in our next correspondence, which we will do with alacrity.

On Wednesday evening, April 5th, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Risher tendered a very brilliant tea, complimentary to Doctors Miller, Burbridge, Jones and King, each of whom have been in the city for several days attending the medical examination. After the tea the guests had repaired to the parlors, and while the guests and hostess were enjoying the various parlor games, footsteps were heard at the door, which proved to be a party of "stormers," complimentary to the distinguished guests. The following composed the party: Misses Cecile Wilson, Wineva Lee, Adela Spellman, S R. Walker, S. B. Risher, Emma Wilson, Daisy Gilliam, Anna Wilson, Carrie Mitchell, Josie Powell, and Messrs. E. Henderson, T. Solle, "Lightening," Ed Davis, J. Wilson, E. R. Dawson, J. G. Smith, Robt. McAlpin, R. Robertson and A. Johnston.

James D. Shaw is reporting for the New Orleans Ferret from this city, and from present indications for only a short time. In the next issue of the Colored Journal of this city E. A. Gray, the present editor will retire. He has made quite an efficient editor and we all regret his retirement. Miss Josie Powell, of this city, has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the public school caused by the resignation of Mrs. Maggie J. Walker. Miss Powell is a graduate of Rust University class of '92, and will no doubt prove satisfactory.

A Cobweb Social.

Portland, Oregon. Special.

The ladies of the New North-West Lodge, Tuesday evening, March 27th, gave a Cobweb Social which was much of a success and realized mnch benefit financially The Y. P. S. C. gave an enjoyable affair at the residence of Miss H. Crawford, 287 Grant street, Wednesday evening, March 28th The entire house was at the disposal of the guests, and no pains spared to make the affair a pleasent occasion, dancing was the order of the evening, which concluded with a sumptuous repast, good music was furnished, most of the club attended. Thursday evening, March 29th, The A. M. E. church gave an entertainment and had a fair crowd. The Enterprise Lodge is getting up an entertainment which is expected to be a grand affair, date not yet set.

U. B. F.'s Annual Election.

Jackson, Tenn., Special.

Jackson is a thriving city of about 12,000 inhabitants, of which, about 4,500 are colored, they have four good churches and others, they also have some of the best schools in the South, with all advantages to teachers, etc., The K. of P.'s, G. A. O. of O. F., U. B. F., K. of T., and the S. M. T., are our Fraternal Societies, with a good membership. On last Wednesday night the United Brothers of Friendship held their annual election and elected the following officers: Jas. W. Roberson, W. K.; A. B Mcbide, D. M.; J. C. Lowe, W. S.; L. E. Wilks, F. S.; It is expected the installation will come off Monday night, the 17th inst, when the most worthy Grand Master William Porter, of Memphis, will be here to perform the ceremony. Sunday was Thanksgiving day for the whole Brother and Sisterhood, we had our sermon preached at Berean Baptist church by Brother B Herron, of Low Institute, with M. Smith, W. M.; Jas. W. Roberson, master of ceremonies. The Young ladies and gentlemen of Liberty street, C. M. E. Church, are practicing for a concert to be given the last of this month, for the benefit of the new church. Abe Bowden, of Hunt street, is very sick. Mrs. Larence and daughter, and Mrs. Latham, have moved to Memphis, Tenn. Miss Carter, of New Orleans, is in the city, she is assistant editor of the Christian Index. The cards are out announcing the marriage of Dr. M. V. Iynk and Miss Bebee Stephan, of Mason. Ed. Chester is erecting a beautiful cottage on Tanyard street.

PUZZLES THE DOCTORS.

Remarkable Case of a Colored Youth at Helena, Arkansas.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Dan McKeil, a young colored man of this county, is puzzling the physicians of this vicinity. About a year ago, while having an epileptic fit, he fell into an open fireplace, and when found he was lying in the fire in an unconscious condition. His scalp, the muscles of his head and the bones of his left side, as well as the tissues covering the left shoulder, were parched. He was in an unconscious condition for two days, and recollected no incident happening prior to regaining unconsciousness. The bone and flesh were burned from his head to such an extent that the brain could be felt. Little medical attention was given him, only household remedies being applied. The burn removed one-half the skull. Now after a year the burned skull is being reconstructed and bids fair to completely heal, making an almost new bone covering for the brain. The man has fewer fits than before he had the accident. His mind is clear and now does the work of an ordinary farm hand. He was before the medical society of his county at a convention. The case has no parallel so far as known by the medical authorities.

Deeds of Honesty.

Sumter, S. C., Special.

Last week Mr. George Epperson, a white man, lost his pocket book containing $75 and some papers, a colored gentleman found it in the middle of the street, seeing his name on the papers, he hastened immediately to the gentleman and delivered the lost money. Two weeks before this happened a colored man lost $26 in cash, a little colored boy found it and gave it to a policeman to hold, saying if any one should call for it and identify the money to give it up. In a few days the right man called for his money and got it. Easter was enjoyed especially by the children. Mt. Pisgah Sunday School celebrated Easter with a fine programme. Dr. Crosby and Superintendent Andrews brought the children to the front, they had a grand time, Miss Jennie E. Walker presided at the organ. The finest music and singing ever witnessed in Mt. Pisgah A. M. E. church, was furnished, a collection was taken for missionary purposes. Mr. W. M. Singleton says to call on him for fine house painting, full satisfaction is guaranteed. Mr. Bartin Levan is building for himself a very handsome house. The young men of Sumpter are doing well.

Estimate of Bishop Brown.

Pinkney, Ark., Special.

The people here were much delighted to see the news of their town in the leading Negro journal in America. We have some good white people down here. They seem to appreciate the outspoken Freeman, I sold a white man one of the copies of The Freeman that had Bishop Brown's death in it, and he had read the Bishop's plea for the Negro to vote for Cleveland or stay at home during the campaign, and he said: That he had rather heard of two or three hundred people dying than Bishop Brown. We are going to try to circulate The Freeman from Memphis to Helena, up and down the Mississippi river. Mrs. Ella Griffin has been ill but has recovered. Rev. Sam. A. Borum is expecting to start a night school, in short, for the benefit of the older people. Mr. Reuben Taylor is quite an industrious young man. Mr. Guy Anderson will be home this week, we will be glad to see him. Mrs. Mary E Clayborn would be another Ida B. Wells, with a little encouragement. The death of Mrs. Bird this week was quite a surprise. The members of the A. M. E. church are anxious for Dr. J. M. Conner's quarter to come. Rev. D. A. Borum is moving all the time, trying to do something to elevate the Negro race. Brother George Jeams is down with rheumatism.

Galveston, Tex.

Easter Sunday was observed here with exercises at all the churches, which were beautifully decorated with evergreens. Elder Wright's newly rebuilt Baptist church was dedicated Easter Sunday, the church was crowded, a collection of $239.65 was taken up.

AN EARLY EASTER SERVICE.

Young People's Vesper Club—Captured the Banner.

Handsome Floral Decorations—A Successful Church Fair—Died in his Youth—General Notes.

Worcester, Mass., Special.

Rev. J. F. Walters, of Zion A. M. E. church, having declared before his congregation Palm Sunday, that he would hold sunrise meeting on Easter morning at 6 o'clock, kept his word, and was rewarded by a large gathering of members, strangers and friends, from other churches. It was the first early Easter service ever held in any of the colored churches of this city. At 10:30 o'clock regular Easter service was held, with a large attendance. At two o'clock p. m., all the Sabbath School classes made their Easter offerings, the Bible class of Rev. Walters, captured the banner. The Young People's Vesper Club, with an attendance of 226, held their Easter song service and concert at 5 p. m., the orchestra consisting of the following members, N. Hannon, violin; T. B. Gunn, bass viol; S. Mero, flute; R. Higgins clarinet; Geo. Harden, guitar; and Miss Bertha Harris, pianist; furnished music for the occasion. The programme opened with an address by the vice-president, followed by recitations, solos, etc. The altar was tastfully ornamented with plants and cut flowers, and a large floral arch surmounting all, with birds in their cages. An Easter concert was given by the Sabbath school in the evening, to a large attendance, the programme was opened with a song and chorus by Mrs. J. A. Smith and Sabbath School, followed by responsive reading, singing, recitations, etc. At the close of the concert, a large collection was taken up for the benefit of the stewards On Tuesday evening April 4th, the annual Fair of A. M. E. Zion church, opened at Mason's Hall, with a large attendance. Articles of every description were temptingly displayed, dinner and supper were served during the fair, which was held three days, 4th, 5th and 6th, inst. The weather being very pleasant during the fair, was indeed a great help, and there is no doubt but a handsome sum will be realized as a result of their labor. Mr. James W. Edmondson, 18 years of age, at one time a member of the High School, being a very bright youth, who was stricken down with consumption early last fall, died at his home April 5th. Mr. Henry Jackson, a former resident of our city, arrived from Brooklyn, N. Y., Wednesday, April 5th. Mr. Wm. Bernard, spent a few hours in our city the 3rd inst,, having arrived from Cleveland, O., enroute for his home in Chelsea, Mass.

On Hymen's Sea.

Argenta, Ark., Special.

We have six colored churches all of whom have a very small membership and are also financially embarassed. One of the grandest weddings that has been for some time, occurred on the 23rd of March. The contracting parties were Professor W, T. Brown to Miss Nettie Taylor, exactly at 8 30 p. m. The couple entered the spacious and handsomely decorated parlor of Mr. and Mrs Matlock. Professor Cox in his usual manner, performed the rites after which they received congratulations from all present. A collation consisted of all the delicacies of the season. The bride wore a handsome costume of cream henrietta, entrain with a tulle veil arranged with a wreath of flowers. The groom wore a handsome black wedding suit. The presents were numerous and costly. The sister of the groom, Mrs. A. T. Tribue, of the city, gave them a grand reception on the 24th. Rev. J. C. Herd paid us a visit on the 27th. Rev. E. J. Jones, of Russelville, spent last week in the city. The Reverend Temley preached at the C. M. E. church, Sunday. All of the churches gave exercises and they were well attended. Dr. Hewett is the only colored doctor in town and is doing a good business. Mr. Column has a nice grocery store. Messrs. James Fleming and Sherman Brown have nice barber shops, the only places in town where colored men are shaved.

N. B. Write on one side of paper only. (Ed.)

Fire Bugs set Fire to Farm Premises.

Williston, S C., Special.

The fire fiend still lives. On the night of April 4th, the barn and stables of Mr. Glover, near Barnwell, were burned; all his hogs except one, all his corn, fodder, etc., and one horse was burned. The closing exercises of the colored graded school took place on the night of April 4th, as it rained all day, Professor Nix, began to feel despondent, thinking the weather would interfere with the exercises, but the clouds dispersed, and long before the hour for commencing the exercises had arrived, people began to pour into the school house. People from eight to twenty miles were there, even the sore headed, disgruntled ones, who are everything but friendly to our school were there, and standing room was at a premium. Prof. S. H. Nix, delivered the address of welcome, the children played their parts to perfection, essays were read by Misses Lear Ray, Della Tillman, Willa Leonard and Jesse Holman, which were a credit to them and to the race. The music furnished was a rare treat and reflects much credit Rev. Peeples had the music in charge, and Prof. Simon Leonard knows a piece of good music when he sees it. Prof. O. H. Nix, has demonstrated to friend and foe, that to win you must not falter. Hence, he has come out more than victorious. The Hopewell M. E. church celebrated Easter on the night of the 3rd, the exercises were complimentary. Mr. E. J. Dickerson, a prominent colored lawyer, of Aiken, S. C., passed through town this week, returning home from attending to professional business. Mrs. Mattie Olliver, of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting relatives here. Mrs. Frank Boxley is spending some time with her mother. She left our town some time ago and now resides at Blackville, S. C. The Freeman is becoming more popular each issue, among its readers in this section.

Little Folk's Concert.

Wilkes Barre, Pa., Special.

The Easter services at Bethel A. M. E. Church were very interesting, the choir rendered some very fine selections in the morning, and in the afternoon, the Sabbath school carried out a very fine programme, Mr. Samuel Panell gave an interesting address and Mr. Horace Logan sang a solo. The Sunday school collection was $5.10. The concert given by Mrs. Emma Thompsons class was a success, the little people, all of whom are under twelve years old, taking their parts nicely. Great credit is due Mrs. Tompson for the way in which they were trained. The members of the other club were very pleasantly entertained by Mr, Edward Brown, at the residence of Mrs. Harris Brown, after the business of the club refreshments were served. Mr. Samuel Panell sang a solo. Mr. Samuel Patterson has been ill.

A Cowardly Assault Upon a Teacher.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.

Easter Sunday was observed by all the Sunday Schools and church congregations in this city. The Sunday schools, almost without exception, had nicely prepared programmes appropriate to the occasion. The rite of Baptism was performed at St. John A. M. E. church and several new members was thus initiated into the service of the church. Not the least thing worthy of mention was the success experienced by many of the churches in raising funds for missionary purposes on Easter Sunday. Last Friday night Mr. M. C. Brady, a school teacher, residing in this city, had his attention called by some one who struck his house with a brick bat, upon his going to the door to investigate, he was immediately fired upon by some one, evidently in waiting for him. He was struck by several of the shot and in consequence is in a very critical condition, and is not expected to survive. The miscreant who did the shooting has not yet been apprehended, though it is generally supposed to be Gus. Clement, with whom Brady's family had some trouble not long since. Mr. D. C. Bell has been elected Mayor over his opponent, Mr. A. Brewster, by a pronounced majority. The contest was a purely Democratic one, though Mr. Bell received the greater part of the Republican vote. The Easter surprise party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Moon, the 4th inst., was the grandest effort of the season and goes to show that after the weary days of Lent, our society people are not disposed to let the social wheel remain idle. Two of Little Rock's fairest ladies were visitors to our city on Easter Sunday. Mrs. Fannie Gordon and Miss Mary McNeil. Mrs. B. F. Mitchell and her charming daughters, Misses Lucy and Mattie Morris, have gone to the Indian Territory. Mrs. J. C. Stuart, returned Saturday from a visit to relatives and friends, in the Southwestern part of the state. Leave your orders for The Freeman with T. H. Stuart, at the postoffice, and it will be delivered to you.

Set Sail on Hymen's Sea.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Mrs. F. F. Scott's niece, Miss Bertha Wood has taken her departure after a pleasant visit in the city. Miss Mamie Lewis is able to be out after a serious illness. The Adelphian Literary Society, of Sumner High School is preparing for its annual public exercise to be held at the school building. On Wednesday April 5th, St. Elizabeth's church was crowded with the "400" of St, Louis society, to witness the marriage of Miss Emma A. Cole to Mr. Felix E. Dodge. This was one of the prettiest weddings that ever occurred in St. Louis. After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride where an elegant reception was held. The presents were numerous and valuable, the bride wore white satin gown with trimmings of chiffon and pearls. The bridesmaids Misses Mamie Reynolds, Pelagie Thomas, Edith Mordecai and Antoinette Wilkinson, wore white china silk with lace trimming. The groomsmen were Messrs Richard Anderson, Chas. Dodge, Carter Jackson and Jas. Thomas. The ushers were Messrs Walden, of Chicago, and Dore. The happy pair left on the C. & H, at 9:10 o'clock the same evening for Chicago, their future home. St. Elizabeth's charitable society, meets every third Tuesday evening of each month, at St. Elizabeth's Hall, 1409 Morgan street.

A TRAVELING SALESMAN.

Oratorical Contest—A Prospective Entertainment.

New Business Enterprises—Sewing Circle Concert and Fair—Church Social—Paragraphs and Personals.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

John H. Anderson, formerly of Springfield, O., is engaged as a travelling salesman for the Central Clothing and Cloak Company. Anyone desiring anything in this line, can secure satisfactory terms by calling on Mr. Anderson. Miss Julia Webb, of Georgetown, Ky., passed through the city last week enroute home, and spent a few days with her friend, Miss Anna Price, of Covington, Ky. Miss Alice Colston is spending a few days in Glendale, Ohio, Mrs. Mary E. Jackson, wife of Capt. George Jackson, has returned from Chicago, and will assist in the grand entertainment April 25th, to be given by the Avon Guards, O. N. G. Henry Higgins has opened a first-class barbershop and bath rooms at 295 West Fifth street. The bath rooms will be open Sunday forenoon. He solicits the patronage of the general public. The Oratorical contest, which was to have taken place last night, has been postponed until the 21st, on account of the lecture by Mr. P. H. Clark and the K. P. Banquet, which took place last night.

Phil. Daly, of 222 Broadway opened his new restaurant with a grand reception and a collation of all the delicacies of the season. Mr. Daly is an enterprising young man and deserves great success for his energy, and invites his friends to call. Among those present were Frances B. Baltermore, Miss Mandeline Davis, Mrs. John Terry, Misses Mamie Ralls, Lorenzo Hudson, Ruperta Moore, Louis Moore, M. E. Mackey, Robert Burns, Miss Mattie Daly, Mrs. Mattie Weaver and son, Miss Emma Bunday, Messrs H. Zimmerman, Wm. Mitchell, D. Long, W. Brown. Wm. Anderson, was master of ceremonies. Mrs. Mary E. Werles, of East Eighth street, is still confined at home by illness. Ollie Anderson, the mail carrier, is seriously ill at his home. He has had several serious hemorrhages which has left him in a very weakened condition. Mr. and Mrs. Alonza Arnett are in the city, the guest of Miss Fannie Cousins, of West Sixth street. Bishop Arnett passed through the city last week. There was a grand concert and fair given by the Children's Sewing Circle, at Union Baptist church, last Friday evening. The Children's Sewing Circle has been under the management of Mrs. Lillie Henderson, since last October, and the little folks had an exhibition of quite a display of their handiwork. It was an enjoyable affair, and netted the church about $25. It is hoped that the Sewing Circle, after the necessary rest will feel encouraged from the success they met with, to go on with this good work.

A MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Organized—Church, Society and General Notes.

Harrodsburg, Ky., Special.

Easter observance was general and interesting programs carried out. Dr. I. H. Welch visited home last week. Mrs. Ida Frazier has returned from a pleasant trip to Danville. Rev. Frazier went to McBrayer Station to assist Rev. Crutcher in his protracted meeting. Miss Florence Utley visited her friend, Mrs. Martha Dupee, last week in Versailes, Ky. While there her brother from Lexington came to see her.

Miss Martha Hawks was called home suddenly last week by the death of her brother, who died in Anchorage Asylum at Louisville, Ky., where he was taken some weeks ago. There has been in our midst for several days a Novelty Gallery, which is doing good work in copying faces. There was a large crowd went to the river Monday. The Missionary Society organized Sunday night, with the following officers: Mr. Hightower, Pres.; Jno. Moore, Vice-Pres.; Maggie Fisher, Sec'y; W. H. Crutcher, Vice-Pres.; Hannah Young, Treas.

Miss L. M. Carter went to Lawrenceburg, Ky., Friday night, to witness the closing exercises of R. Holmes' concert, after which she will go home. James Boston is out, after severe illness. Mr. Lawson, of Louisville, is in our midst. Mrs. Francis Huston and L. M. Carter attended the closing of public school taught by Mr. Holmes, of Virginia. Rev. E. Johnson, of Nicholasville, Ky., preached the annual sermon to the U. B. F.'s and S. M. T., Sunday, at 3 o'clock to a crowded house. The Missionary Society is growing rapidly. Rev. Frazier preached to the U. B. F.'s and S. M. T. in Danville, Sunday. Bennie Hines is sick.

Dr. W. B. Derrick to Lecture.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

Dr. W. B. Derrick, of New York, will lecture under the auspices of the Inter-Collegiate Bureau, at Spruce St. Baptist church, on the 21st inst. Miss Florence Jackson left for her home in Chattanooga last week. Miss Iola A. Terry was called home at Columbus, Ga., last week on account of the severe illness of her father. Since her arrival we are glad to know that he is now improving.

We are glad to see Messrs. L. Adams, Washington Bethel and S. W. Jefferson out again, after a week's illness. John M. M. Miller, of the Nashville fire department, was out visiting friends at the University last Saturday. A. J. Hawkins, of Vicksburg, Miss., and Alexander Hunter, of St. Louis, Mo., are the latest arrivals. Mrs. Maria Rabb McClellan returned last week from her home at Columbus, Miss., where she spent several months with her people. Miss Clara Lawson, of Louisville, Ky., visited her brother, Dan, at the University last week.

Miss —— Evans and Rev. E. H. Harris, of Louisville, were present among the large number of delegates at the Congregational Association last week. Messrs L. U. Goin, S. T. Herb, F. A. Bryan and Misses Effie McGarm, Lenora Hickman, Julia Frierson went on a fishing expedition last Saturday on the Cumberland river. The Second general conference of the Y. M. C. A. meets at Spruce St. Baptist church on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd inst. In the report of the last issue we mentioned B. A. Northrop as the one who will make the annual address at the meeting of the White Cross league on the 16th inst. We wish to correct this by saying it is Rev. Dr. D. C. Kelley, of Nashville, instead.

The Grim Reaper.

Darien, Ga., Special.

Easter was beautifully celebrated here by the Episcopalians and Methodist, Rev, Green, pastor A. M. E. church, conducted the services. Mrs. Frances, of Savannah, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John McGriff, of Union Island. Mrs. Patsie Begle died March 23, 1893, at Carneghan, Ga., where she had resided for many years. She professed religion early in life, living faithful until death, She was a member of the Presbyterian church, Darien, Ga., to which she was a very devoted member. Since the death of her husband, she remained a widow until her death. Her friends and pastor who visited her during her illness, found her always ready to talk on religious subjects.

Ridgeville, Ga., Special.

J. H. Covington has been sick but is convalescent. Joe Bryant is bouncing baby boy upon his knee.

Cantata Under Palms.

Minneapolis, Minn., Special.

The wife of Elder Malone, of 36 University avenue, S, C., is sick. Easter social at St. James church was a success. Billy Rice, a well known hotel man, died April 3rd. Sissieretta Jones, better known as the Black Patti, will sing at Lyceum Theater April 18th and 19th, for the benefit of Bethesda church. Mrs. Scott of South Ninth street, gave an Easter party which was enjoyed by a host of friends. Subscribe for The Freeman, only $1 50 per year. Cantata, of Minneapolis, will be rendered April 25th, in St. Paul, C. S. Turner and Ed. Truesdale taking leading parts. Division of K. of P.'s will give a grand entertainment May 10th. Every colored person should subscribe for The Freeman, the best weekly paper, and gives news from more different states than any colored paper in the United States, Joel A. Cage, 12 Western Avenue.

A Disastrous Fire.

Pierce Station and Obior, Tenn.

Rev. J. M. Hait, pastor of A, M. E. church, left for Pierce's Station, Tenn. April 7th, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchel, a citizen of Pierce, is dead. The principal part of Pierce Station, burned April 7th, origin of fire unknown. The school, at Morris School House, taught by L. M, Morrow, closed the 7th inst., he departs for his home, Buena Vista, Tenn. Everybody enjoys reading The Freeman, it can be had by enquiring of Elworth Sisson.

An Estimable Lady Dies.

Horton, Kan., Special.

On April 3rd occurred the death of the wife of C. F. Davis. The remains were held over until Wednesday, waiting for Mrs. Westbrook, an aunt, who was visiting friends at Cairo, Ill. The distance was so great that it was impossible for them to reach here until the night after the funeral. Mrs. True, mother of the deceased, is a native of Mt. Vernon, Ky., where she resided until 12 years ago, when she moved to White Cloud, Kan., remaining there six years then moving to Horton. During the time her and her daughter have lived in Horton they have made a host of sympathizing friends. The husband, Mr. C. F. Davis, is also a native of Kentucky, his birth place being Harrodsburg; his parents were among the most respected people of that section; they left there twelve years ago and moved to this part of the country. Mr. Davis is one of Horton's best citizens and a very highly esteemed gentleman in society, he came here six years ago and soon become attached to Miss Maggie True and last June, they were married and lived happily together until her death. Mrs. Davis leaves a little babe four days old. Miss Nellie Westbrook, who has been absent from the city for more than a year, returned last Thursday. J. B. Fleming went to St. Joseph last week. Miss Hattie Samuels and Miss Susie Jenkins of St. Joseph are visiting Mrs. R. H. Hannahs. The Banquet of the Horton Central Band was not as largely attended as anticipated. Geo. True, White Cloud, Mr and Mrs. Allen, Holton, Mrs. Mary Wright, White Cloud, and several others were in the city this week attending the funeral of Mrs. C. F. Davis. David Wheeler, who was moving a house this week, hurt himself and is now bed fast. Mr. Woodson has a very sick child. Miss Bertha Graves is also very sick. Mrs. Miller is also sick. Mrs. Gillen has returned home from a visit to her mother in Missouri. There is eighty Afro-Americans in Horton. Why don't you take The Freeman and get the news of the world.

RACE GLEANINGS.

There are 250 Negro newspapers in the United States.

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The Negro Press Association will meet in Atlanta, Ga., in June.

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The Afro-American Press Association of Virginia, met at Petersburg April 4th.

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Robert Springer, born a slave in Newcastle, Del., in 1774 and 119 years old, died a few days ago.

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Mr. Charles S. Morris, of New York City, is acting as an advance agent for Mme. Sissieretta Jones.

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The twenty-two U. B. F. and S. M. T. organizations of St. Louis gave a grand entertainment April 10.

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A colored institution will be erected at Sedalia, Mo., at a cost of $35,000 to be known as the George R. Smith college.

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John Clarke, of Pittsburg, Pa, is worth $200,000 and is considered the wealthiest colored man in the State.

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The Oklahoma legislature recently passed a law prohibiting Negro children from attending white schools and vice versa.

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Mr. F. D, Parker, of St. Paul, Minn., has secured the position of custodian of the Minnesota building at the World's Fair.

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President Cleveland commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence of murderer Edward Smallwood, at Washington, D. C.

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Robert Springer, born a slave in Newcastle, Ind., in 1774, and consequently 119 years old, died near Morgantown, March 18.

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A Houston, Texas, gent's notion dealer advertises his suspenders and neckties by a cut of a Negro suspended from a tree.

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Negroes of Augusta, Ga., have organized a Fair Association with a capital stock of $5,000. They will have a meeting during the fall.

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There are fifty-five Afro-Americans employed at the post-office building of Chicago, thirty-two on the police force and ten at the City hall.

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Giles B. Jackson, Esq., is the leading colored lawyer in Richmond, Va, he is a self-made man. His income per annum runs up into the thousands.

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St. Paul, Minn., has two photographers, two lawyers and over thirty clerks, also two teachers in the public schools, as representatives of the race.

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L. A. Tillman and Dr. James E. Henderson, of Kansas City, Mo., are seeking the positions of Minister to Liberia, and fourth auditor of the Treasury.

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Lee Hancock, of Chicago, though blind, has graduated from one of Chicago's musical universities and is an expert music teacher having finished his profession.

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The marriage of Mr. Robert Pelham, joint proprietor of the Detroit Plaindealer, and Miss Gabriella Lewis, of Adrian, Mich., took place at the latter city Wednesday April 5th.

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The Afro-American band of Lincoln, Neb., has accepted a proposition from the merchants of the city to give concerts in the postoffice square this summer, the season to begin May 1, 1893.

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Mr. Samuel Lawson, of Canada, about twenty-eight years of age, is the first African to be naturalized in Oklahoma and file a claim for 160 acres of land according to the Oklahoma Constitution.

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Hon. John P. Green of Cleveland will travel abroad several months immediately upon the adjournment of the state senate and write for the New York Mail and Express, receiving a handsome sum for each letter.

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Thomas O'Rourke, the backer of George Dixon, the feather-weight champion of the world, claimed the feather-weight championship belt. He agreed to put up the necessary security and match Dixon to fight any man in the world according to the rules governing the trophy. It was decided that Dixon should have the trophy and O'Rourke deposited $500 for its security.

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At Bridgeville, Del., recently, Undertaker S. P. Short was driving a hearse containing the body of Isaac Riggin, colored. The horses became unmanageable, and the vehicle collided with a tree. Short was thrown to the ground and his neck broken. The dead Negro was tossed out of the hearse, the coffin broken and the body struck head first in the ditch, the mourners were so overcome by fright and superstition that they left Riggin's body in the mud for half an hour. Then it and the dead body of the driver were placed on the hearse together and carried back to town.

Late Publications, Periodicals, Etc.

"DESSALINES,"

"A Dramatic Tale," by William Edgar Easton, Galveston, Tex.

The author, in the striking preface to his unique creation, says among other truths: "A nation or race have other legal possessions aside from those whose geographic limitations are its boundaries of rivers, lakes and mountains. Dearer than all else should be its tradition, history, literature and music, for upon the proper education of the masses in those requisites depends durability of that race or nation's fame and its guarantee of future greatness. It is only on these solid bedrocks we can hope to build up a healthy and substantial race pride. * * * * * The Negro alone fails to immortalize his distinguished dead, (how true) and leaves to the prejudiced pen of other races, the office, which by a proper conception of duty to posterity, very properly becomes his duty. What religious pen of the race has written of Benedict, the Moor; of the sainted Africans, Monica and Augustine; or sang in stately verse the deeds of the heroic Haitians; or sought to turn the light of truth on the historic greatness of ancient Ethiopia? * * * * Especially with us has the art of drama writing been neglected. * * * In ancient Rome the drama was made the reformer of private vices and public morals. * * * * The stage in those days, as it is to-day, was a mirror for despots to view their own iniquity. It is true we have our sketch artists, whose business it has been to supply our burnt-cork 'artists' with ideas. * * * * But the author of this work hopes to see a happier era inaugurated by the constant production of legitimate drama, written exclusively for Negro players. * * * For the reasons, as above enumerated, has the author presumed to lay on the altar of race pride the dramatic tale of the heroic Dessalines."

Under the axiom that "one touch of nature, makes the whole world kin," we suppose the author need not apologize that he went outside of his own country, so rich in history and material, for the subject matter of his pleasing work, and the famous characters with which it abounds. Nevertheless, we sincerely hope the hint will not go amiss, and the splendid inspiring example set by Mr. Easton being emulated, will yet give us from the pen of some one of our many brilliant and growing crop of race writers, a drama purely American, reflecting and shadowing forth, that period of race life and travail, than which so sadder epic is contained in all the ages. Mr. Eaton's production, or as he puts it, "A single chapter from Haiti's history," consists of a drama in four acts and eight scenes. The period in Haitian history represented in the drama is that coeval with the stormy career, the man from whom the drama takes its name. Strange as it may seem the best historical account we have of Dissalines, was furnished by a French writer and surgeon, Dr. Descourtilz, who served under Dessalines before he inaugurated the war for Independence, and while he was still in command of a division of the French Colonial army of Saint Domingue. From Descourtilz, as giving some insight into the character of the hero of the drama, we learn that

> "Dessalines was merciless indeed towards those of his own people who would not join the army and remaind on the plantations because their masters treated them kindly. He used to say: 'A man who accepts slavery for himself and for his children is not worthy to live.' In his judgement, slavery was an insult which should be washed out in the blood of the slave holder. When Petion arrived from France with the Leclerc expedition, he had an interview with Dessalines and explained to him how he had discovered that the ultimate object of the expedition was the re-establishment of slavery. 'Let us die or be independent,' was the simple reply of the modern Spartacus predicted by Raynal to be the avenger of the black race."

After hearing read for the first time, the Declaration of Haitian Independence, it is said that the Black Chieftan was displeased with it,

> "He wanted something warmer than the burning sun. 'I know what you want,' exclaimed Borisrond Tonnerre, one of his young secretaries, 'to write the Declaration of Independence of Haiti. our parchment must be the skin of a white man, his skull our ink stand, his blood our ink and a bayonet our pen.' 'Yes, sir,' thundered our hero, jumping and standing erect, 'that's what I want, the blood of the whites, that's what I require—it is due to our honor.' "

Such is the historical coloring given the hero of the creation that lies before us, and of which we take pleasure in saying, Mr. Easton has wrought well and accurate in his dramatic reproduction. The plot of Dessalines, as our readers have no doubt already conceived, hinges upon the revolt of the blacks against the ruling French element on the island, and their mulatto adherents and allies, the usual love story being woven dexterously through the same. Much of the dialogue is commonplace and inspired, especially in the minor passages, and would seem to create the impression that the author was content that the merits of his production should rest upon what he has made out of the characters of Dessalines, Clarisse and Rigaud, the main personages of the play, to which may be added Lefebre. Dessalines' speech to his fellows in act 1, commencing: "What has made me master here?" will give us some idea of the author's style and power of deliniation. Again, in the soliloquy, commencing: "It is cruel, Dessalines—'tis barberous, Dessaline;" we are constrained to admire. Many older and more celebrated dramatist than Mr. Easton might be proud of this.

"Oh, France! Pile up thy deeds of ruthless violence! Dig at the feet of every black a grave so deep that the odor of his stenching carcass can not spoil the pure breath of heaven. Mow down his ranks; bind him as the reaper binds his sheaves; make every stone a head stone that marks a grave; let every blade of grass mature in the rottenness of his black manes. Aye! use stealth and perfidy; use torch and treachery, and bring your basest means to gain your basest ends, and then—pause ere the combat's over. Oh, France, go count thy victories! I—I, Dessalines, will count thy dead."

The work before us consists of 138 pages, nicely bound in cloth, bearing the imprint of J. W. Burson company, publishers. The embellishments of the work are fine tinted portraits of the Hon. Frederick Douglass, Hon. N. W. Cuney, the patron political saint of Texas, and a well executed "cut" of Mr. Thomas Scottron, of Boston, Mass., as Dessalines. Accompaning Mr. Douglass' "cut" is his oration recently delivered at Chicago, on the occasion of the dedication of the Haitian's pavilion at the World's Fair. Mr. Cuney's contribution consists of an eloquent tribute to Haitian heroism. We recommend the work to our readers, and hope some day to enjoy the pleasure of witnessing its interpretation by a capable organization of Afro-Americans.

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LATE MAGAZINES, PERIODICALS.

Jenness Miller Illustrated Monthly for April, fresh and ruddy as usual, "Ladies Home Journal," always delightful; "The Living-Stone," a collegiate treat; "Medical and Sergical Observer;" "Treatise on Larceny of Dogs," Straker, of interest to Blackstonians; "Second Annual Report, State Normal and Industrial School," Ala.; "The Zion Methodist," by Rev. R. C. O. Benjamin, secretary West Alabama conference; "Student's Expenses at Harvard," compiled by Frank Bolles, secretary Harvard University, valuable information, and "The Religious Liberty," a monthly publication, issued by the "International Religious Liberty Association."

A China Wedding.

Frankfort, Kan., Special,

Mr. and Mrs. Tolraferro celebrated the 20th anniversary of their marriage by inviting forty of their friends to their home on the afternoon of March 30th. After spending some hours in sociality they were treated to a bountiful repast. The guests presented the worthy couple with the following presents: Mr. and Mrs. Smith, cream pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Coffee, set of plates; Mr. and Mrs Cloud, sugar bowl and butter dish; Rev. J. H. Moran and wife, set of plates; Mrs. Chwault, a mug; Mrs. Fouts, sugar bowl; Mrs. Clay, cup and saucer; Mrs. McAlister mustache cup and saucer: Reed Hardrick, sugar bowl; L. W. Boffee, mustache cup and saucer; Mr. and Mrs, Fowler, sauce dish; Mr. and Mrs. Boon, fruit basket; Mr. and Mrs. Tolraferro, soup dish; Mrs. Davidson, mush bowls; Rev. Parker, meat dish; Mrs. Hardrick, gravy bowl; Mrs Piner, pitcher; Mrs. P. J. Taylor, Mrs. G. Hocker, Mrs. G. Clay, berry dishes,

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Can anyone tell me of my son, Jefferson Carter? He belonged to Nelson Carter. His father's name was Harkless Perkins and it may be that he took his father's name instead of his master's. He had a sister named Mandy Harkless. My name is Lucy Moore now. Address all answers to Rev. Richard Merideth, Xenia, O., and oblige.

I would like know the whereabouts of one Reuben Reddick Burrow, who was the body servant of Gen'l N. B. Burrow in the Mexican war. When last heard of he was living in Guthrie, Okla. His wife was named Betsey. He has two cousins in Red Ford, Ark., by the names of Tennessee and Maria Dixon, and two cousins living in Little Rock, Ark. Their names are Caroline Burrow and Matilda Reddick. His parents are dead. Any information will be gladly accepted by Mrs. N. B. Burrow at Pierce City, Mo.

I have a mother I have not heard from in 30 years; her name is Rachel Barcum. She has four children; their names are Louis, Low and Allen, and a daughter by the name of Hannah. The last time I heard from her she left Macon, Georgia, with a white man by the name of John H. Low. Every pastor will please read this to his congregation and readers will please inquire. Any one giving information will oblige Louis Williams, Searcy, White County, Ark.

I wish to make inquiry concerning my relatives, My mother's name was Mary Ann Willis and my fathers name was Winston Beyers. My mother died when I was 13. She belonged to C. Willis. I was sold to John Roach when I eight years old, then I was sold to Bill Roach. He sold me to Jeannette Crab, and I was then sold to a Negro trader by the name of Tom Pankey. I have five sisters whose names are Martha Ann, Harriett Barbara, Isabella, Amanda and Cynthia, also one brotheer named Andrew Jackson Willis. My name, Mahala Willis is now Mahala Wilkes. We last saw one another fifty years ago. Any information please address me at Searcy. Ark.

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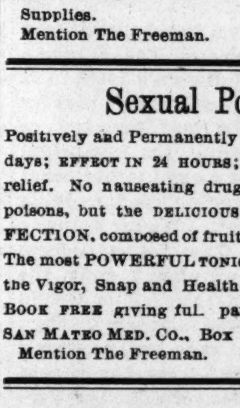

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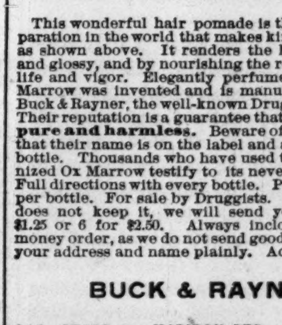
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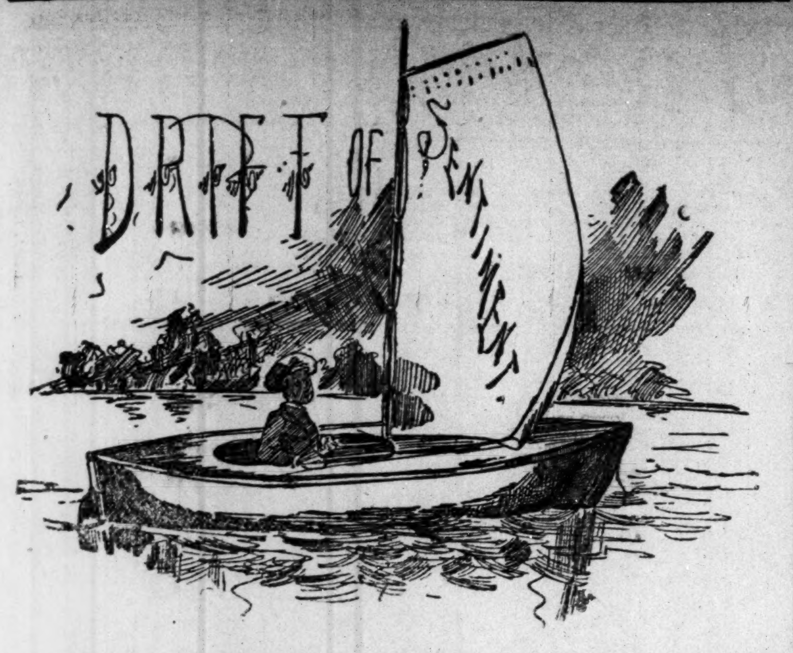

HAILED AS A TRUE LEADER.

Just at this time one of the most needed reforms in this state among Negroes is the organization of some legitimate business institution. The man who will present to the people a feasible plan will be hailed as a true leader.—Topeka Call.

NOT WORTH COUNTERFEITING.

Sometimes you find counterfeit money, and sometimes you find counterfeit christians, this is because they are worth counterfeiting. You never saw a counterfeit infidel, because infidelity is not worth counterfeiting.—Baptist Watchman.

BETTER SAY NOTHING

Talking about other people's shortcomings is a sly way of praising ourselves for discharging duty. "Speak evil of no man" is a divine injunction. If we can't say any thing good of others, it is far better to say nothing at all.—Baptist Watchman.

IGNORANCE THE MOST PERPLEXING.

Ignorance is the most perplexing obstacle that tends to retard humanity. The word "ignorance" means, "the want of knowledge " We have many obstacles to retard our progress in life; but ignorance is the most perplexing of all.—Christian Index.

MAY LEAD TO SERIOUS CONSEQUENCS.

It is not always best to neglect the opinions which others have of us, or the things which they may say of us Adverse opinions often call our attention to some weakness which, if neglected, may lead to serious consequences.—Southwestern Christian Advocate.

EXAMPLE GOOD IN SUCH CASES.

We can find plenty people who will advise us to encourage race enterprises, they are always proclaiming that doctrine, but never practice it themselves. Do not advise so much, but practice more and it will be far better. Examples for practice are generally good in such cases.—Virginia Lancet.

PRACTICES HIS RELIGION ONLY IN CHURCH.

We are ourselves responsible for most all the wrongs of which we complain. The black man is his worst enemy. He persists in being illiterate. He throws away his money and goes to church and shouts, but practices his religion only in church.—Chattanooga Observer.

WILL CATCH THE SAME FEVER.

Hon. Frederick Douglass is to be highly commended for his recent utterance, that the remainder of his life will be devoted to assisting the race in building up manufactures and business enterprises. We have great hope that numbers of our wealthy men of the race will catch the same fever and that the disease may become contagious.—Petersburg Herald.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

President Cleveland has notified the Democratic Senate that he represents the people who elected him and that unless the majority in the Senate submit to the will of the people the Senate can take a recess until the "bosses" of that august body get their eyes open to the fact that the voice of the people is the controlling power in the United States.—Balt. Afro-American.

IN THE SAME MANNER.

Afro-Americans in Alabama last week imitated the lawlessness of the whites upon one of their own number. The man lynched had murdered another Afro-American. He was taken from the sheriff, hung, and his body riddled with bullets, a low white man's way. The spectacle is disgusting and no terms of condemnation too severe can be said about it. The persons engaged in the affair ought to be dealt with in the same manner as the white lyncher.—The Plaindealer.

"SOMETHING ROTTEN IN DENMARK."

The time will yet come when the leaders of the Republican party will find it is necessary to truthfully explain how it is possible to arrange a full ticket according to the requirements of the law; have that ticket eminently supported at the polls, with one exception, that being to arrange matters so to defeat the colored man, if one happens to be on the ticket. Such procedure is disgustingly groggy, and shows there is "something rotten in Denmark."—Weekly Tribune.

FROM THE FLESH POTS OF REPUBLICANISM INTO THE GREEN PASTURES OF DEMOCRCY.

We are often told by Republican orators, and especially Negro Republican orators, that the only road out of the Republican party leads into the Democratic party. Suppose, for the sake of argument, we admit that statement to be true. Then we will be compelled to admit that the road which led many Negroes of Kansas out of the Republican party led some of them into very respectable and well-paying offices which were never before filled by Negroes even in the palmiest days of Republicanism. The Negroes of this country will be very unwise not to follow any road that will lead them into respectable and paying positions, even though that road leads them from the flesh pots of Republicanism into the green pastures of Democracy.—American Citizen.

THE AFRICAN CONGRESS.

Its Plan and Purpose—The Program and Participants.

The first report of the congress on Africa to be held in Chicago on Aug. 14 to 22, has just appeared. Its program combines the salient features of the Berlin and Brussels and Mohonk conferences. It has been planned so that the congresses at the Columbian Exposition shall become the most adequate, comprehensive, and representative council which the world has ever beheld. The program has been submitted to all students of the African problem in all its phases, and has won their unreserved approval. It includes ninety strictly African subjects and twenty-eight Afro-American ones. It deals with the interests of the Dark Continent and of our South. Among the 100 acceptors of appointments are sixty-five Americans and thirty-five Europeans, or residents in Africa.

The eight days assigned to the program are distributed among its different departments of geography, history, art, literature, religion, science, and sociology. The subject matter of the different departments will be considered in morning, afternoon, and evening sessions. These sessions will themselves be of three fold character: general, special, and informal. Subjects of universal interest will be handled by experts during the day. General and special sessions have regular rules and schedules. Informal sessions are free and easy. In geography, J. Scott Keltie, Long Bey, H. M. Ladd, and Mrs. French-Sheldon will personally address the congress, respectively, on Africa as a whole, progress of discovery, the Egyptian Soudan, and woman as an explorer. The African explorations and possession of each European nationally will also be discussed by such travelers as Rohlfs, the explorer of the Sahara. In history, Judge Tourgee and John M. Langston will tell the story of the Negro in America. In arts, Bishops Tanner and Turner, Doctors Newman and Stewart, all of them black men, will tell of Negro agriculture, fine arts, journalism, manufactures, physicians and trades. In language and and literature, Professor Cust contributes a paper on African philology, George Ebers, one on the literature of ancient Egypt, and Yakub Pasha, Egyptian minister of education, one on Egyptian folk-lore. In religion an intervening Sunday is a field-day for African missions, and seventeen of the great missonary societies of America and Europe are to be officially represented by such men as Judson Smith, Bishop Bachman, Dr. Guinness and Bishop Taylor, of Africa, Dr. Blyden, Liberia's full-blooded Negro Minister to England, will speak of Mohammedanism in Africa. Pres. Price, the most eloquent Negro of America, will discuss the religion of his race in the United States. General Morgan, ex-Commissioner of the Indian Bureau; Bishop Dudley, of Kentucky; Secretary Grey, of the American University; and Dr. Slattery, of St. Joseph Seminary, will tell what Baptists, Episcopalians, Methodist and Rome are doing for our freedmen. In science, Hell Chatelaine, Herbert Ward, who was on Stanley's Emin expedition, and Momolu Massaquoi, the young Christian king of the Veys, are among the specialists who will take part. In sociology, Joseph Cook will speak upon African civilization. Stanley intends to tell of outside influences on Africa. Mason Bey will write of England in Egypt and Equatoria, while the native view will be presented by an Egyptian himself. E. Misister Kasson delivers an address on the Congo State which he helped to create. The English chartered companies tell of their spheres of influence and their work.

Foreign governments have been invited by our Department of State to send official delegates to this congress Editor Stead will contribute an essay on reparation to Africa, Dr. and Editor Ward an address on America's reparation to nes Negross. Anti-slavery societies of Belgium, Italy, and Portugal are to state what their countries and governments are doing to smash the Arab Slave trade; nor will Christian rum traffic with Africa be neglected, Stevenson, who built a road between Lakes Nyassa and Tanganika, will present the problems involved in African colonization. The questions whether American Negroes owe aught to Africans, and whether they should colonize Africa, will be discussed pro and con by black men and while The "Southern problem," the "exodus," and the Negro in relation to the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments will be handled without partisanship or policies by the men best equipped for treating them. General John Eaton, United States Commissioner of Education 1870 '86, its results, and ex-Minister Curry the work of the Peabody and Slater funds. Cyrus C. Adams, one of our first authorities in African affairs and the geographical editor of the Sun, will close the congress with an address on Africa as a new faction in civilization.—Inter-Ocean.

STATE UNIVERSITY

Measure Quashed—Premiumizing Negro Lynching.

Houston, Texas, Special.

The committee appointed by the State Legislature to consider the propriety of having a State University for the colored people, made its report the other day to said assembly. The report was unfavorable. The committee alleged that the Negros were not ready for such an institution, that Prairie View State Normal was all that is necessary and will suffice for the next quarter of a century.

The joint discussion which has been pending between the Trinity and Excelsior Epworth league is not a certainty. A committee of three from each league met at Van H. McKinney's job printing office the other day to arrange for the discussion, but terms suitable to the parties concerned could not be effected. From the proposition offered by Trinity representatives they wanted the world with a barb wire fence around it. So public sentiment has it that they crawfished. A. & L. August is the name of a dry goods company that advertises their suspenders and neckties by a cut of a Negro suspended on a limb of a tree. The advertisement appears in the Fort Worth Gazette day after day. It is sad to think that hanging of Negroes has become so common in this country that business men should take it as a trade mark to sell their goods to white and colored men. If this company is in Fort Worth, let the Negroes of the city and community boycott it by staying out of it. Let the Item speak out and condemn such a cast on the race which it has promised to defend. Let the ministers of the State assail it from their pulpits, and if the Negroes' trade is worth anything let that company feel it. The only way of interposing such grave sarcasms upon us is to put our feet upon those who seek to thus poison the minds of the public against us. Negroes, spend your money with any one rather than A. & L. August & Co. Do without neckties and suspenders if you cannot buy them from some firm that doesn't countenance mob violence, riots and race discrimination.

The District League convention will hold its annual meeting at Mt. Vernon M. E. church on the 8th and 9th inst. Representatives from all the leagues of the district will be present and subjects of interest will be discussed. Rev. Cool, president of Wiley University, and Rev. Mason, field agent for the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, will be present. Easter services were conducted at all the Methodist churches and some of the Baptist churches. Special sermons were preached. The U. B. F. sermon will be preached at Mt. Vernon M. E. church next Sunday night by Rev. E. Lee.

Negro Organ-Grinders.

Following closely upon the announcement that Negroes are to be imported from the South in large numbers to be employed at Homestead comes the statement that in New Orleans the Negroes now have almost a monopoly of the organ-grinding businesr. To find the sons of Ham thus invading a field which was long ago supposed to have been pre-empted by the wandering sons of Italy shocks the æsthetic taste; yet it is very probable that our colored brother will be a greater success in organ-grinding than at puddling iron or making steel billets.

D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER,

Of Detroit, on the Pamphlet Idea—He States His

Position As Both Agreeing and Disagreeing With Our Views—Thinks We Should Have "History Day."

To the Editor of The Freeman.

I read with much interest your comments, editorially on the proposed "Jubilee Day" during the holding of the World's Fair at Chicago.

I both agree and disagree with your views, paradoxical as this may appear.

I agree with you that nothing should be done by us as Afro-Americans which should give color to any distinction or discrimination between us and any other race of people composing the American Republic. No separate day of prayer and rejoicing because of our past, our present, or our anticipated future. "Let the dead past bury its dead" may be a useful lesson for us to observe, and yet, notwithstanding this, I can see no objection to what is termed "Pamphlet Day," not a very appropriate term, and one which could be improved by the term "History Day." On this day, as I understand the purpose, the Afro-American citizens of the United States, purpose to relate their history, and their progress as recorded, or should be recorded, in the daily addition to to the history of the United States; but which omission is painfully evident in the reading of the history of the American people, as written by Anglo Saxon authors, as related to the Afro-American.

If we do not supply the meagre representation officially given us in this, one of the most important events of the 19th century, by adding what we can to appear to the world, to be in the world, it may happen that the World's Fair may close without the world knowing other than that slavery once existed in the United States, and the slaves are now free. If it were so that when the term American citizen was used in our own country, it meant all that the word comprised, so that the progress of America would mean the progress of all the citizens of America in the United States of America, it would be useless and wrong for us to seek to bring ourselves separately to the notice of the visiting world, but as it is, what are we and what place do we occupy in the country of our allegiance, and have we made any progress from the barbarism of slavery to the edtrance by us into civilization?

If we remain supinely by, satisfied with an alternate commission, with no expectation of the principal either dying, resigning or, perhaps ever being absent from his post, (for this is our official representation at the World's Fair) then we remain to a great extent unknown, unseen or heard of, except as visitors.

On the other hand if "Pamplet Day" is established, or as I have already said History Day, and the life of the Hon. Frederick Douglass, the speeches of Hon, John M. Langston, Bruce, Lynch, Price and others; the catalogues of our Universities, the histories of our lawyears, and doctors and school teachers, painters, musicians, inventors, copies of The Freeman, The New York Age, The Christian Recorder, A. M. E. Zion Journal, The Conservative, The Pilot, The Cleveland Gazette and the Plaindealer, of Detroit; statistics of our material worth, in property of every description, be placed in the hands of the foreigner, we shall not be swallowed up in the history of the United States and its progress without due credit to the share we are entitled to with other citizens in the country's progress, being known by our foreign brethren.

If the world had not been taught by the writers of American history in the past, and even now, that we are not only a separate and distinct race of people; but an inferior race incapable of the achievements of Anglo-Saxon progress in any ratio in the march of civilization, we should be satisfied to know that the reader hereafter, of the progress of the American Republic included in its progress every and all of its citizens in relation thereto; but who does not know that this will not be so, unless special attention is called to the Negro and his achievements, not for the purpose of upholding ourselves as a separate and distinct race of people; but for the purpose of putting the stamp of denial as shown by the record we have made, upon the charge of our inferiority as a race and our incapacity as a distinct people. The prejudiced white American, North, South, East and West is our accuser. We cannot have a fair trial in this vicinage, at present. Our foreign brethren must then be our jury, Let us bring before them the facts and receive their impartial, disinterested, unprejudiced verdict. By all means let History Day be established. It ought to be established by the National Government at the World's Fair, as it especially relates to the Afro-American, so as to justify (if right ever needs to be justified) our emancipation and our citizenship. For ourselves, to do otherwise is cowardip, and I dissent from the views that in so doing, we either revive the past, or keep up discrimination.

Let there be no "Jubilee Day" but a quiet history day when the world shall hear Douglass, Price, Langston, Fortune, Derrick, Bruce, Townsend, Lynch, Dancy, Bishops Turner, Arnett, Lee, Handy and Tanner; Revs. Coppin, Crummell, Reeves, Grimke and Johnson, our own Hendersons, of Detroit, McCants Stewart, Editor Mitchell and hosts of other orators, journalists and other literary men, who, less than fifty years of freedom have produced; as well as Depew, Talmage, Gov, McKinley, Ingersoll, Fassett, Reed, Hoar, Burrows, Ingalls, Whitelaw Reid and others of the Anglo-Saxon race of the period of a thousand years of civilization, of equal laws, equal rights and exact justice among their fellows.

Trusting that you will pardon this intrusion upon your invaluable space in your columns and credit it to sincerity of purpose.

D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER.
Detroit, Mich.

Biddle University.

Charlotte, N. C., Special.

The University is, as usual, prospering and there are being made marked improvements all along the line. The students have organized into drilling companies and to this end have appointed Prof. Hunt as General-issimo with Messrs. J. A. Rollins, W. B. Middleton and W. T. Singleton as Captains. The students take great interest in their companies and are making rapid progress in Military tactics. C. M. Young has returned from his trip to Norfolk. Va., where he went to represent the Y. M. C. A. of Biddle University. Rev. Dr. Sanders, our president, has been selected so read a paper on "Industrial education, Its Uses and Limitations," at the World's Fair. In consideration of his distinguished services in the cause of education, he has also been appointed by the United States Commissioner of Education in connection the World's Fair. The Dr. will be a member of the advisory council in connection with the religious congress, and a member of the press congress also. The class of '93 numbers eleven. They have received their grades for the college course. J. J. Robinson, of Greenville, S. C., will graduate summa cum lande of his class. Mr. W. H. Merrow of Greensboro, N. C., will graduate magna cum lande, and Mr. T. H, Ayers, of Winnsboro, S. C. will graduate cum lande, Rev. Dr. Hargrove, who has been the chair of mental sciences of B. U., has received an invitation from the Commissioner of Education, to attend the Congress of the National Educational Association of the U. S., and to take part in the deliberations. This congress will be held in Chicago on or about July 25th, 1893. Dr. Hargrove is also requested by the Commissioner to consent to accept a place on the list as an honorary vice-presidnt of the department congress of rational psychology. The March exhibition by selected members from the two literary societies that are connected with the college, was a complete success. At half past seven o'clock more than 125 students filed into the spacious chapel to the martial strains of the drum (Master Eddie Brooks drum-major) the University Orchestra playing one of their timely marches and Mr. W, H. Morrow accompanying on the piano. The stars and stripes floated here and there in the building and above the sounding board, back of the rostrum, hung the ensign of liberty, while on either side the picture of distinguished philanthropists adorned the stage. The committee of arrangements deserve the highest commendations for their untiring energy in making the occasion a pleasant one, and for the tasteful arrangements. The names of performers are given below: Mr. W. M. Flowers, essay, "An age of improvements"; Mr. Guy Wadsworth, oration, "Out of the lake into the sea"; debate, "Do the signs of the times indicate a subversion of our government?" Affirmative Mr. D. E. Spied, negative, Mr. W. H. Carroll; Mr. J. M. Henderson, essay, "Alertness" Mr. W. H. Stinson, oration, "Through toils to heights." The programme was interspersed by vocal and instrumental music. Space will not allow mention of all the masterly essays, orations and debates, but upon the whole it eclipsed even those of former occasions. The capacity of the chapel is seven or eight hundred and it was filled.

In the audience were distinguished divines from far and near, students of Livingston college, of Salisbury, N. C., and of Scotia Seminary, and scores of teachers and distinguished professionals. On Saturday morning April 1st., the delegates from Livingston college, together with those of Biddle University, met in the chapel and effected the organization of the long-desired Inter-State Collegiate Oratorical Association. The object of the Association is to bring the students of the different colleges of the state into more immediate connection and induce a harmless spirit of rivalry in oratory, which object, it is hoped, will be beneficial to all concerned. Easter Monday was a holiday. The next holiday will be the commencement in June

THE FREEMAN HOTEL DIRECTORY

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Mr. and Mrs. Ed Proctor are rejoicing over the advent of a son.

Don't forget the May Fair at Allen Chapel, May 17, 18, and 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Porter, of Paris, Ill., spent Sabbath in the city.

Mrs. Susie Donald is slowly convalescing from an attack of malaria.

Ulato Monszaro, the African Prince, will remain in the city another week.

Miss Louisa Parker, a former resident of the city, is visiting here from Chicago.

Walter S. Brown, of Kokomo, has accepted a position at the Bates barber shop.

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Joshua H. Jackson has accepted a position in The Freeman job department.

Mrs. G. Ratcliff, of Logansport, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Hall, on Bright street.

Mrs. J. W. Moore, of Springfield, O., is visiting Mrs. C. Davidson, California street.

Mrs. Darnell, of West street, has been confined to her room for eighteen months.

Rev. Charles Jones, formerly of Simpson chapel, has a charge at Shelbyville, Ind.

Allen Chapel, A. M. E. church is preparing for a grand May fair, May 17, 18, and 19th.

Mrs. Dennis Dent, of Springfield, O., is visiting Mrs. J. W. Lewis, of West St. Clair street.

A program will he rendered each evening at the May Fair at Allen Chapel A. M. E. church.

The Bethel choir concert was greeted by a large audience and a satisfactory program rendered.

Milton Benson attended the closing exercised at Purdue University, Lafayette, last week.

Mr. Henry Beasly made a flying trip to the vicinity of Lexington, Ky. and returned with a bride.

Mrs. Rose Hammond has been called to the bedside of her mother and sister at Castleton, Indiana.

Miss Ella Benson, of Richmond, Ind., sister of the Benson brothers, was their guest several days last week.

Silas Robbins, Esq., of Omaha, brother of Dr. Wesley Robbins of this city, has written a play called "Politics."

Edward Price, of Rhode Island street, died April 7th, and was buried under the auspices of the Odd Fellows.

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Miss Gabriella Jackson is lying very ill at the residence of her uncle, William Jackson, 7th street. Dr. Chavis attending.

Samuel Herron, of N. West street, will discontinue his grocery business, having leased his building for drug purposes.

Dr. S. A. Elbert entertained the participants in the recent choir concert at a reception at his residence last Tuesday evening.

Lillie Hill, who recently graduated from the High School, has been employed in Dr. Wesley Robbin's laboratory, the past week.

Don't forget the masquerade promenade at Tomlinson hall, April 24th, given by the U. B. of F. and S. M. T. Admission 50c per couple.

Miss Mattie Toles, 18 years of age, died at her home on Hillside avenue, Saturday April 8. She was a High School student of much promise.

The Pleasure Seekers gave their annual banquet at Wright's hall Wednesday, April 5th President Robert Moody and G. W. Mack made addresses.

Miss Gertrude Mahorney, formerly of Irvington, and a graduate of Butler university, will fill the position vacated by Mrs. Beulah Wright-Porter.

U. B. of F., and Sisters of the Mysterious Ten had services at Masonic hall, Sunday April 8th Services were conducted by Revs. J. M. Morton and J. W. Carr.

Mrs. Sarah Smith, a former resident of Indianapolis, died in Chicago, her remains were shipped here for burial. The funeral service was held at Second Baptist church, Rev. Carr officiating.

Don't wait until a collector calls and duns you but bring or send what you owe to the office. An additional 25 cents will be demanded if your subscriptions remains unpaid after April.

The largest funeral seen in this city for some time was that of Edw'd Price which took place at the Second Baptist church, last Tuesday afternoon. Deceased was an old resident and a member of Zion Baptist church. The Hod Carrier's Union and U. B. F's of which he was a member attended in a body.

William Lewis, of Ripley, Co., Indiana, and Miss Nellie Albriton, of Hortonsville, were quietly married in this city, April 6th, at the residence of Mrs. Susie Donald, Fayette street. Rev. T. Price officiating.

A. E. Manning has returned from Washington, brimful of sanguinity. He says that one of the leading Presidential appointments is certain to go to Indiana, and that he is intimately acquainted with the most probable appointee.

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Founder and C. G. M. Dixon Lectures.

Rev. Moses Dixon, of St. Louis, founder and international Chief Grand Mentor of the order of Twelve and the daughters of Tabor, lectured to the local order at the Second Baptist church last Monday evening to a large audience. The order was founded by Rev. Dixon, in 1846, and has an aggregate membership of 128,791.

Memorial Services

Will be held in memory of the late Sir J. H. Hopsen, C. G. M., of Illinois and Jurisdiction, of K. of P. Temples and Tabernacles, president of Cairo, Ill., at the Second Baptist church tomorrow at 7:30 p. m. The memorial sermon will be preached by Sir Rev. J. W. Carr, C. M. assisted by Sir Rev. B. Farrell V. M. Silver Spray Temple No. 28, Capitol City Tabernacle No. 35, and sacred Hart Tabernacle No. 42, will occupy reserved seats. The public is cordially invited.

Bates House Items.

A. Harris starts to Kentucky April 15th.

The Bates House boys' banquet was a success. Prof. Gee's orchestra furnished the music.

Mrs. Cora Boyce went to Anderson April 9th.

R. Carter is sick.

Mrs. David Gee returned home April 2nd.

Mrs. Lizzie Riley went to Anderson April 8th.

E. Harris and twenty of the Bates' boys gave their second waiters' dance last Wednesday evening.

In Memoriam.

Little Sallie Belle Farrell, daughter of Rev. B. J. Farrell, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church died Saturday March 8th, and was buried Monday March 10th at Zion Baptist Church, Rev. J. W. Carr officiating.

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Lawrence—Easly.

Following in the line of pretty weddings, for which the Hoosier capital has of late become famous, comes that of Mr. Gurney Lawrence, of Chicago, and Miss Alice Easly, of this city. The nuptials were solemnized at Bethel A. M. E. church at 7. p. m., Wednesday evening, April 12th in the presence of a large audience, Rev. Morris Lewis officiating. The Bride's attendants were six in number and a corresponding number of groom's men. After ceremony, the bridal party were driven to the residence of Mrs. Harry Jones, East Seventh street, where an elegant collation was served the party until 8 o'clock at which hour the general reception began. The entire affair was pleasing in detail and much enjoyed. The presents were numerous.

Lost Relative.

I desire to find some of my old friends with whom I lived during slavery. I first belonged to John Stokley, and was sold to Jefferson Burnette. Some of those with whom I lived were, Catherine Burnette, Bob Burnette, Moses Stokley, and Burk Stokley. My object is, to secure information concerning my mother, who lived in North Carolina. Her name was Rebecca Patten; she belonged to John Patten who lived in Ashville, N. C. and at one time owned the Warm Springs, She was married to a man by the name of "Pad" or Thadeus Johnson. My name is Charles Webb, but was owned by Allman, Stokley, and Burnette and always known as Charles Webb. Any information given will be gladly received. I am willing to give a liberal reward to find my mother.

Respectfully, CHAS. A. WEBB.

The Beasly-Richardson Nuptials.

On Tuesday afternoon, April 4th, at the house of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Richardson, a well to-do and highly respected family, of South Elkhorn, Ky., occurred the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary L. Richardson and Mr Henry Beasly, Esq., of Indianapolis, Ind. The bride wore a handsome cloth travelling dress, hat and gloves to match, and carried a handsome boquet of flowers After the ceremony an elaborate dinner was served to a small number of invited guests. They left for Indianapolis, their future home, the following morning, where the groom is engaged in business. A large number of valuable presents were received.—Lexington, Ky., Standard.

The newly wedded pair arrived at Indianapolis Wednesday afternoon, April 5th. Carriages and friends awaited them, and they were driven to the residence of the groom's mother, where an elegant supper was served, shared by the following friends: Rev. Lewis and wife, Mr. Kelly Fretwell and wife, D. W. Wells and wife, Mr. Edward Harris and relatives of the groom, after which, the happy couple left for their residence, 122 Indiana Avenue. Henry is one of our energetic young business men and an old resident of the city, and many friends wish him bon voyage on the matrimonial sea.

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A Storm's Ravages.

Alto. La., Special.

There was the most violent tornado through this section, March 23rd, that has occurred here for many years. Many lives were lost and much valuable property swept away. Some of the people, blown off, have not yet been found and perhaps never will be. The names of those blown away from here are Mrs. Roxie White and five children, two of whom were killed out right. Herself and the remaining three received serious injuries. About sixteen days elapsed before they were all found. Hal. Blunts, wife, and two children were seriously injured. The timbers of houses were blown away. Miles Starr is very sick. The K, of P's. had a good time last Sunday. The sermon was by Rev. J. F. Harrison.

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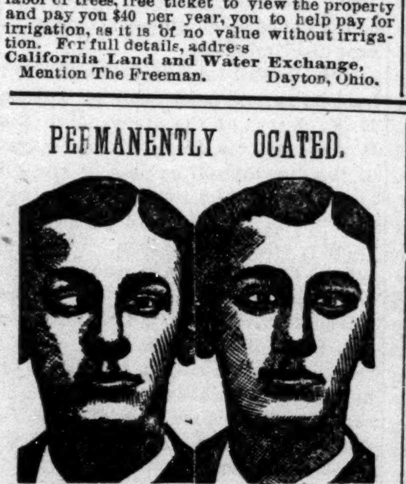

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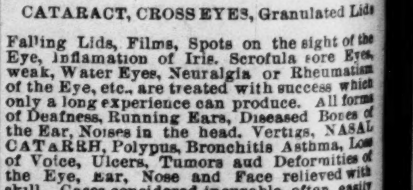

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